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Our HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Do you realize the importance of deep breathing? Our blood is purified by inhaling pure air; therefore by taking in deep breaths, especially when out doors we bring a larger quantity of air in contact with the blood and this purifies our systems. Further than this if all the air cells of the lungs are not in use, they will degenerate and disease of the lungs is more likely to ensue. Deep breathing tends to fill the air cells thoroughly and gives us capacity of taking longer breaths naturally and without effort. I have recently been practicing taking long breaths whenever I am out in the fresh air, during the cold weather particularly. The fresh air as I take it in seems to rejuvenate me. Retain the breath in the lungs a moment, then take continued long breaths, filling the lungs to the utmost. By practicing this way you can expand the chest and increase the capacity of your lungs largely.—Editor Green's Fruit Grower.

Henry Shultz asks how to break up a cold, or how to prevent taking a cold. In reply I will say that stage drivers or others of that class, who are out of doors in all kinds of weather, seldom have colds. Therefore I should recommend everybody to spend as much time as possible walking in the fresh air out of doors. If they are delicate, or suffering from a cold, bundle up warm and be particular that the feet are kept dry and warm, and then spend an hour or two, as suggested, out doors each day. I keep my window open somewhat each night during the winter, in the room where I sleep. Fresh air invigorates the entire system, and this prevents taking cold. But if you have not been used to having your window raised, you will have to get used to it by degrees. As regards the best methods of curing a cold, I will say, that a good remedy now for consumptives is to keep the patient out doors a large portion of the time. In the Adirondacks, where are sanitaria for the cure of consumptives, delicate patients are wrapped in warm furs and blankets and sit out doors with the temperature below zero, for several hours each day. This is heroic treatment, and should only be given with the advice of a physician. The ordinary home cures are to at once soak the feet thoroughly in hot water, and get into a warm bed, staying there for a day or two. The idea is to open the pores and to keep them open; meanwhile take a cathartic, and do not eat too much food.—Editor Green's Fruit Grower.

The preservation of the normal alkalinity of the blood is really the basis of the German method of curing disease by directing the careful mastication of all food. The patient who presents himself for treatment is ordered to give at least seventy bites to everything which he takes in to his mouth, and he is urged to count the bites in order to make no mistake. As a rule the patient is allowed to select his own diet, the only stipulation being that it shall be one that is readily digested and that it shall be properly masticated. One of the earliest results noticed is that heavy eaters begin to consume much less food. As the digestion improves less food is taken, because it is all assimilated.

When the wife supplies all the liabilities and the husband all the assets, or vice versa, marriage is likely to prove a failure.

A subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower relates his experience with tobacco, as follows: I used tobacco for twenty years. It affected my nerves and made me feel as though I had delirium tremens. Things I touched with my hands seemed to be hot, when in fact they were cold. My eyes became dim and inflamed. I had feelings of faintness and deadly sickness. A cold perspiration would start, my heart would tremble and I had a craving for sweet things. Finally I said to myself, that, through my own strength and the help of God, I would use no more tobacco. I have kept my promise, and for ten years my general health has been good. I can eat and

Patients with thick, non-circulating blood, torpid lymphatics and dormant secretions. Patients with stiffened joints, gouty deposits, chronic neuralgia, torpid livers, uric acid kidneys, and the irritable nerve centers that go with them. These patients and others who suffer from errors of nutrition, can be greatly benefited, not to say cured, by the simple dietary procedure known as the fruit breakfast.

This means just what it says. Fruit, all the patient wants, and nothing else, for breakfast. No chops, bread, cereals, coffee, tea, or anything but fruit before 12 o'clock. By fruit is meant apples, oranges and grapes. These should be of

Nothing cures a dog that kills sheep so quick as a shotgun.

The private customer is what the farmer should strive to procure.

Plenty of clover will go a long way toward making a farm profitable.

A cow that is well cared for is a source of comfort and profit to her owner.

The successful farmers are those who resolve to improve matters each year.

The man who owns ten or more cows and is without a separator is standing in his own light.

There is no longer any profit in making butter that cannot be classed among the best grades.

In these days of close competition every farmer must give the closest attention to every detail.

Bee-keepers should develop a home market rather than send their products to a city market.

It's poor policy to compel animals to drink water that the farmer would not think of touching himself.

When in the natural state poultry live on seeds, grass and insects. Try to follow this as nearly as possible when feeding them.

Many a failure in the vegetable garden is caused by poor seed. Purchase whatever seed you may require from reliable dealers only.

If a hen does not have access to plenty of water she cannot lay many eggs for the reason that eggs contain more water than anything else.

To make hens profitable the farmer should study their requirements and he can thus better understand how to keep them in laying condition.

The basis of a nation's prosperity is the broad shoulders of its farmers. Place burdens on these shoulders and all others will be weighed down and times will be hard.

Sheep in the orchard will keep down the weeds and at the same time enrich the soil with their droppings. They can be kept from gnawing the bark of the tree by using wire netting.

The farmers who are successful are those who never lose sight of the fact that the farm is a home; that everything done toward beautifying and improving the place is enhancing its value.

The educated farmer ought to be influential in molding public opinion, elevating public morals and advancing in all possible ways the best interests of those about him.—Professor S. Johnson.

Survival of the fittest is the law of business and trade. It is Nature's law. Poor farmers will be squeezed to death. There is no way to prevent it. The poor merchant goes down and the shiftless mechanic never gets ahead; the same rule must work with the tiller of the soil.

The farmer who buys what he can produce at home (and many of them do so) suffer a loss, as he should take advantage of the home market and thus get a better price for his labor. The best way to keep expenses down is to aim to grow a full supply of all that is needed for the family if possible, and the profit will be greater. Luxuries can be had with a garden and small fruits.

A good whitewash for fences and outbuildings that stands fairly well and which looks like oil paint when dry is made as follows: Pulverize air slack lime until it is as fine as flour and pass it through a sieve. Next boil some rice until the substance has been drawn out of the grain. Mix the lime and rice water and to every half barrel of the mixture add one gallon of linseed oil. Apply with a long bristled whitewash brush for buildings and for fences use a brush with shorter bristles.



NIAGARA PEACH.—This new variety may be called a New Elberta, since in appearance it is like Elberta. It seems to have all the desirable qualities of Elberta with none of its defects. One defect of Elberta is that the foliage is liable to be affected with the fungus that causes leaf curl, while the foliage of Niagara peach cannot be surpassed in healthfulness and vigor, or for its ability to resist fungus. Another reason is that while Elberta is of good fair quality, Niagara is superb in quality, far superior to Elberta. Niagara ripens a few days earlier than Elberta, ripening here September 1. It is remarkably free from yellows.

J. S. Woodward, Vice-President of the Western New York Horticultural society, says: "You could not give Crawford to me if I could get the trees of Niagara peach. It is about one picking later than Crawford; averages good deal better, better color, better leaf, and holds its size to the end of the season. You can't sell any other tree in that section if the Niagara can be obtained."

Prof. VanDeman says: "I have heard the Niagara spoken of in the highest terms. Those who have fruited it prefer it to any other, and think it even better than Elberta or Early Crawford."

Sleep as well as a boy. I am 70 years old. I know a man who had sore lips caused by using tobacco; the sore turned to a cancer which ate off the lower part of his face. I know of another man similarly affected, who died before his face was entirely consumed with cancer; and still another middle aged man who had deadly fainting spells caused by tobacco, who dropped dead in his yard. I know of a promising college student, who had to leave college for a year on account of nervousness caused by tobacco. (It is a fact, however, that tobacco does not affect all people alike.—Editor.)

The Fruit Breakfast—There is a class of cases which makes the most enthusiastic doctor alive wish he had chosen any other vocation than medicine.

excellent quality. Preserved fruit juices do not answer as well, and no other kind of fruit compares in efficacy with oranges, apples and grapes. No sugar should be used on the fruit. Cooked fruit will not do.

Jack's Point of View—"But, my dear! Don't you know that opals are awfully unlucky?" "Well, Jack priced a lot of different stones and he says they're only about a fifth as unlucky as diamonds."

Point of View—New England Statesman—"Wasn't that a mortifying scene in the senate chamber?" Statesman from the Breezy West—"Mortifying? It was disgusting. It was stopped before we could tell which one was the best man."—Chicago Tribune.

The Burden of the Hour.

God broke our years to hours and days,
That hour by hour,
And day by day,
Just going on a little way,
We might be able, all along,
To keep quite strong.
Should all the weight of life
Be laid across our shoulders, and the future
life
With woe and struggle, meet us face to face
At just one place,
We could not go,
Our feet would stop, and so
God lays a little on us every day,
And never, I believe, on all the way
Will burdens bear so deep,
Or pathways lie so steep,
But we can go, it, by God's power,
We only bear the burden of the hour.
—George Klinge.

Whitewashing Fruit Trees.—The old-time method of whitewashing the trunks of trees is not usually credited with its full value. Farmers follow it considerably, though perhaps more from a country habit than with a definite reason before them. Professor M. T. Macoun, horticulturist for the Canadian department of agriculture, adds that it is most efficient composed of sixty pounds of lime, twenty-four gallons of water and six gallons of skim milk, or those proportions. The milk makes the wash stick better, giving the lime more opportunity to exercise its caustic properties. A little glue is sometimes substituted for milk with the same results.—Meehan's Monthly.

According to the scientist, 85 per cent. of the stomach troubles of mankind are caused by improper methods of consuming food and drink. The human mouth, he points out, is neither a mere receptacle for food, nor is it designed solely for tasting. It is as much a digestive organ as the stomach itself. More than half of the process of digestion, he says, should take place in the mouth. It is when the work which should have been performed by the teeth is thrown upon the stomach that indigestion and other troubles ensue.

There are still things to learn. In agriculture, science and art we are still in the rear. Our engineering achievements, while stupendous, are not greater than the tunneling of the Alps, the building of the Suez and the Kiel canals, the reclaiming of the Saharas, or the construction of the Transiberian Railway in Russia. The races that have accomplished these prodigies of nineteenth century skill are gaining a firm foothold in this country, and under its beneficent influences will probably surpass these feats.

It is the belief of skilled fruit growers that at least one-fourth of the apple crop is ruined by preventable diseases. These preventable diseases are such as can be checked by spraying. Few people stop to consider what it means to lose one-fourth of all the apple crop. It means on the average at least 20,000,000 bushels of apples for the United States alone. These 20,000,000 bushels would be a godsend this year.

"A good man has gone," wrote the editor of the Hickory Ridge Missourian, in winding up his obituary of Colonel Wopajaw. "He was honored and respected by all and a large concourse of sympathizing friends and neighbors followed to the tomb all that was mortal of our distinguished citizen, except a leg which he had the misfortune to lose while fighting bravely at Chickamauga thirty-eight years ago.—Chicago Tribune.

A clean city is impossible without consecrated citizens.

The best prayer for a Father's blessing is a son's obedience.

When worship is lacking in sincerity it is not wanting in sin.

When the heart is full of faith the hands will be filled with good works.

As a rule potatoes are one of the standbys. Any man who grows them as a money crop must expect to have an occasional year when he will be happy if he gets out whole, but if he sticks to it year after year, he will be all right with a good balance on the right side of the ledger.

The Bismarck apple was spoken of as a very early bearer of very fine fruit, for even on standard it has been found bearing fruit at the age of two years; surely it will be worth while to try this Bismarck apple at all fruit stations.

"What I don't like about our schools," said the boy who had been whipped, "is that they run too much to physical culture."—Washington Star.

Sins of the tongue are especially dangerous because people do so little in the way of restitution of reparation for them. Francis De Sales.

RURAL TOPICS

When wintry winds pipe loudest tones
And round the chimney cry,
And twilight brings me tender thoughts
Of all the years gone by,
Among the pictures of the past
That come in thronging host
The fairest mirrored in the fire
Is Polly making toast.

Come, gentle Spring! ethereal Mildness,
come,
And from the bosom of yon dropping cloud,
While music wakes around, veil'd in a shower
Of shadowing roses, on our plains descend.
Thomson.

At a Massachusetts grange meeting, farmers compared notes concerning the use of barnyard manure and commercial fertilizers. As a rule barnyard manure gave the most satisfactory returns. The largest yield reported was when both were applied.

In Paris male domestic servants are encouraged to marry, as they are observed to be more settled and attentive to their duty than when bachelors. In London such marriages are discouraged, as rendering servants more attentive to their families than to those of their masters.

Apple Scab.—Professor T. J. Burrill says that the parasitic fungus, usually called apple-scab, does not winter as supposed on the twigs of the tree, and therefore cannot be killed by spraying before the buds open. For best results the first application of the fungicide (usually Bordeaux mixture) should be made just after the leaf buds open.

We see a cow, a sheep and a goose out feeding upon the grass of the meadow. All are subsisting on the same food, yet in the one case hair is produced, in the second wool and in the third feathers. Do you know why this is the case? I think not, nor do I. The very bread upon our tables is full of mysteries. We find on all sides of us multitudes of things that we believe in, but that we do not understand.

The temperature of the earth is estimated to be at least 5,000 degrees F., at a depth of fifty miles, and in many places comparatively high temperatures are found very near the surface. The utilization of this heat is one of the great problems now in the minds of engineers. With the direct and economical conversion of heat into electricity on a large scale, which is looked for in the near future, the earth's hot spots should become important manufacturing centers.

A year ago Miss Leslie Maddison, daughter of Captain R. T. Maddison, living near Anthon, Iowa, bought two sittings of eggs and succeeded in rearing six Plymouth Rock hens and a cockerel. Last year she raised 350 full blooded chickens from this flock. This shows conclusively that a bright young woman on a farm can add to her bank account as well as perform her usual household duties. These chickens readily sell at \$1 each and some of the cockerels will bring as high as \$5 apiece because they are good ones.

Cayenne pepper does not come from a pepper plant, nor Burgundy pitch from Burgundy. Jerusalem artichokes do not come from Jerusalem, nor turkeys from Turkey. Camel's hair brushes are made from the tail of the squirrel. German silver is not silver and it was invented in China. Cork legs are not made from Prussia. Irish stew is not an Irish but an English dish. Cleopatra's Needle was set up a thousand years before that lady was born. Chamois leather is not the hide of a chamois but the flesh side of sheep skins.

One of the most interesting results of practical geology in our time is the discovery of rich supplies of subterranean water under many of the dry and desert regions of the earth. Attention has frequently been called to the utilization of these discoveries in the western and southwestern parts of the United States, and it appears that other lands are equally favored with hidden treasures of life-giving water. The geological survey of Queensland, Australia, reports that south of the Gulf of Carpentaria water-bearing strata occur at depths of two and three thousand feet, from which artesian wells draw supplies varying from one hundred thousand to one million gallons a day.

Just a little smile will do
To cheer your struggling brother;
Sometimes a loving word or two
Will help to raise another;
Sometimes but little means will need,
A great and noble cause to speed.

May—Yes, I'm going to marry Jack White.

Maud—My! From what you've always said I thought he'd be the last man you'd ever marry.

May—And I hope he is.

Maggie—When you broke the engagement did you return the diamond ring he gave you?

Margarethe—Certainly not. I don't care for Harry any more, but my feelings have not changed toward the ring.

A Little Mixed—"What do you think of this Shakespere-Bacon controversy?" "Well," answered the man who is not much of a book reader, "I think they both deserve a great deal of credit for not putting the public to the expense of a court of inquiry."—Washington Star.

A man who says he has made experiments under careful timing reports that the greyhound, when going at full gallop, can cover twenty yards a second, or about one mile in a minute and twenty-eight seconds,—a speed that comes very near that of a carrier pigeon.

"What do you think the weather will be next month?" wrote a subscriber to an editor, and the editor replied, "I think it will be very much like your subscription."

The subscriber happened to think of the word "unsettled" and sent in the amount next day.

"And now," clucked the old hen, surveying with pride the fifteen eggs in her nest, "I am going to have a smart set of my own."

Three weeks later, true to her word, she had a coming-out party, and society eagerly flocked to see her debutantes, who were arrayed in the daintiest and fluffiest of garments and looked too sweet for anything.—Chicago "Tribune."

The drunkard is strikingly susceptible to sudden conversions; he is particularly liable to be swept off his feet by sudden gusts of this kind. As a rule, men begin drinking between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five, and abate the habit between forty and fifty. A particularly trying time is the climacteric. Twenty-five years is the average duration of the habit, and it generally ends in exhaustion and death.

Language is rich in terms for drunkenness. There are said to be 360 English phrases for it, and over eight hundred in German. The disposition to glorify wine has shown itself not only in religious orgies, but in an immense literature of drinking songs, some of which, especially the old Latin songs, are very interesting.

You may follow luck to ruin, but not to success.—Garfield.

The labor of the country constitutes its strength and its wealth.—William McKinley, House of Representatives, August 28, 1890.

The personal equation is the most important factor in a business operation.—President Roosevelt.

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for others?

Our grand business undoubtedly is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.—Carlyle.

Patience and strength are what we need; an earnest use of what we have now; and all the time an earnest discontent until we come to what we ought to be.—Phillips Brooks.

Every day I see more how necessary it is to be consistent, uncompromising and gentle; for often, perhaps, when a word would not be borne, an act of forbearance or self-denial might be remembered in a cooler moment.—A. Hare.

Hunt down and slay your little faults. "He that is faithful in that which is the least is faithful also in that which is greater;" and they who will hunt down, and slay, and exterminate their little faults, be sure of it, will never willingly commit greater sins.

There are souls in the world which have the gift of finding joy everywhere, and of leaving it behind wherever they go. Their influence is an inevitable gladening of the heart. These bright hearts have a great work to do for God.—F. W. Faber.

To Roast Beef.

Remove the outer skin and with a moist cloth wipe the surface of the meat. Do not remove the bones. Place the clean cut side of the beef upon a smoking hot pan. Press it close to the pan till seared and slightly browned. Do the same to the rest of the meat, being careful to stick the fork only in the fat. When all seared stand it on the ribs (if a rib roast) or on a rack, or two iron skewers, and put into a hot oven, the heat of which should be able to brown a teaspoonful of flour in two minutes. If the oven is not too hot the meat will require no basting. When the temperature of the oven is correct, the heat will keep up a gentle sputtering in the pan; if there should be any smoke, the heat is too intense and should be lessened. For roasting beef in this manner, after it has been seared, allow fifteen minutes for each inch in thickness of the roast, without regard to its width or weight.

When the meat is cooked, take from the pan, remove all except two tablespoonfuls of fat, add two tablespoonfuls of flour, brown, add two cups boiling water, stirring constantly. Season to taste and boil three minutes. Strain and serve.

DROPPED OR FOACHED EGGS.

Carefully break the eggs into a cup (one at a time), then slip them into a shallow pan of boiling salted water; place the pan toward the back of the range, where the water will keep hot but not boil; dip the water over the eggs with a spoon, and when a film is formed over the yolk, and the white is firm, but not hard, take each one up with a skimmer or large spoon and serve on a slice of buttered toast which has had the edges trimmed before toasting; sprinkle a little salt and pepper over each yolk; for salting the water allow 1-2 teaspoonsful salt to one pint of water.

MRS. SANGSTER'S DEFINITION OF TACT.

Tact means touch. Sincere means transparent. One may be tactful, that is, quick to feel and respond to the feelings of others, therefore sympathetic, and at the same time be above deceit. The habit of saying pleasant things is praiseworthy, and there is not the slightest necessity for their being untrue. As a rule, the people one meets are good and kind, and there is much opportunity for being nice to them. Look for the best in friends, and cultivate the accomplishment of praising it. She who says disagreeable things needlessly, even if they are true, is a social guerrilla.—Ladies' Home Journal.

HARD COOKED EGGS.

Put the eggs into a saucepan and pour around them boiling water, being careful to cover them entirely with the water; cover the saucepan and place it on the back of the range, where the water will keep just below the simmering point; leave for twenty minutes; when cooked, take the eggs out and place them into cold water to easily remove the shell.

In opening packages of cereals it is advisable to cut only a slit at the side of the upper edge. It is not safe to take the top of the package off, for insects and mice are thereby invited to feast on the contents. By pressing the sides of the box the slit opens and allows for pouring the cereal out. A rubber band stretched around the box is excellent for keeping the air out almost entirely.

"Home's not merely roofs and walls, Though with pictures hung and gilded; Home is where affection calls; Home is where the heart hath builded."

Violet Leaves for Cancer.

Indianapolis, Ind., April, 1902.—Dr. Benjamin F. Bye of this city, who is authority on cancer and tumor, says violet leaves may have some soothing effect when applied as a poultice as many other leaves do, but as a cure, he would much prefer his Oil Treatment, which he discovered a few years ago, as it is sure in almost every case, causes no pain and can be used by the patient in their own home. The treatment is expressed by the doctor to every country in the world.

Surplus Peach Trees at Bargain Prices.

We have a surplus of Elberta peach trees, also the hardy Fitzgerald and Kalamazoo, also of the Niagara, Champion, Crawfords, early and late. These trees are in fine condition, and stand 3 1/2 to 5 feet in height. They are not heavy, but are suitable for shipping long distances. Most nurserymen are short of peach trees this year, but we have a surplus. Write us for prices. Green's Nursery Company, Rochester, N. Y.

Light at Eventide.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by Miss Bertha Koons.

The day has been dark and doleful,
A day of wind and rain,
With the sound of ghostly fingers
Upon the window pane;
And never a gleam of sunshine
The cold, gray sky has closed
In this day for sad remembrance
For what our lives have lost.

Weary with vain sighing
For things that could not be,
Weary with counting over
The graves in memory,
I opened the Book of Comfort,
And in its pages read
What one of the grand old prophets
In time of trouble said.

I hear, like a voice from heaven,
The royal singer's song
Of faith in eternal goodness
To triumph over wrong.
The day may be wild with tempest,
But in patient trust abide,
And I recall the sweet old promise
Of light at eventide.

And, lo! as I read the chapter,
So dear to the weary heart,
I saw the cloud at sunset
Like curtains swing apart.
And it seemed like a glimpse of heaven,
That touched my eyes like balm,
As I sat in the sunset glory
Repeating the sweet old psalm.

Prof. Van Deman's Notes from Rural New Yorker.

For Vermont plant apple trees as follows: Early Harvest, Williams, Benoni, Primate, Oldenburg, Chenango, Gravenstein, Grimes, Rhode Island Greening, Baldwin, McIntosh and Northern Spy. The early varieties should only be planted sparingly, and the main bulk of the orchard of the last four or five kinds.

Apple trees may be safely planted that are three inches in diameter or even larger, but it is very expensive shipping and planting them at this age.

Red leaves often accompany peach curl, also injury from borers, lack of plant food or any affection that oppresses the vitality of the tree. Peach leaves should have dark green foliage until frost comes. If your peach trees have yellows the foliage will become pale and a bushy growth will start in the branches. Look out for borers. Fertilize thoroughly, prune closely, keep the fruit thinned, and keep the ground well cultivated.

Japan plums will be likely to succeed in your locality and soil. You should have Burbank, Abundance, Red June, also some of the hardy peaches such as Crosby, Elberta, and Triumph.

Grafting Wax.

My receipt for grafting wax is as follows: Rosin, 4 pounds; beeswax, 3-4 pound; tallow, 2 ounces; raw linseed oil, one pint. Melt altogether and pour into water to cool, then pull the wax to make it white. Wax made in this way is very adhesive and will stay for years, whereas that ordinarily made will flake off. My wax is quite soft and when used on very warm days will have to be kept in cold water and with the fingers oiled when using it.—W. J. Bruce.

Advertisement.—I have a few barrels only of apples for sale at \$5.00 per barrel. The varieties are Northern Spy, Greening and Baldwin. While these apples are carefully assorted, they are not quite as large and fine as apples are in this locality in more productive seasons. Charles A. Green, Rochester, N. Y.

A Disappointment.—Shopper.—"I want a shoe that is both comfortable and stylish." Salesman.—"Very sorry, madam, but the age of miracles is past."—Judge.

Let Me Tell You How to Get Well.

Send no money; simply state the book you want. It will tell you what I spent a lifetime in learning.

With the book I will send an order on your druggist for six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Restorative; and he will let you test it a month. If satisfied, the cost is \$5.50. If it fails, I will pay your druggist myself.

I do just as I say. Over half a million people have secured my treatment in that way, and 39 out of each 40 have paid for it because they were cured. Not a penny is accepted if it fails.

There are 39 chances in 40 that I can cure you. No matter how difficult your case, I take the entire risk, for those half million cases have proved what my remedy can do.

My way is to strengthen the inside nerves. I bring back the nerve power which alone makes each vital organ do its duty. No other remedy does that; and in most chronic diseases there is no other way to get well. Don't let doubt or prejudice keep you from asking about it.

Simply state which book you want, and add dress Dr. Shoop, Box 410, Racine, Wis.

Mild cases, not chronic, are often cured by one or two bottles. At all druggists.

Two Mulberry Trees.

Major N. C. Baldwin possesses two wonderful mulberry trees. When the fruit on these trees is ripe it is so dense on the limbs as to resemble ropes of fruit. The limbs are absolutely black with it, and the berries are of good size. One tree grows in a swag south of the residence, and is somewhat tender. Sometimes it happens that only the south half of the tree is fruitful. The other tree grows at the northeast corner of the residence, and is perfectly hardy, bearing enormous quantities of berries every year, and the birds and chickens have a rich feast. The owners set aside two days in the week for children. On these days boys and girls come and gather the fruit. This is done so as to permit a member of the family to be with them, to prevent unnecessary trampling over the near-by garden. I have seen many mulberry trees, but these two trees discount all I ever saw. These two trees attract a great deal of attention when in fruitage. Six years ago I bought 400 Hicks' Everbearing, but these two trees bear more than all mine put together. The mulberry is very valuable to those who raise chickens, and no doubt it would pay some enterprising nurseryman to propagate a lot of trees from these two mentioned above. These trees are growing in the city, and it may be when put in open ground, they might not prove entirely hardy. Our altitude is about 1,400 feet, and we have very cold winds in the spring which are hard on tender trees.

Pear Culture.

An old saying, and probably a true one in its time, was: "He that plants pears plants for his heirs," says Hon. James T. Shallcross in Eastern Shore Fruit Culture. This saying has long since been exploded. At the present time we have standard pears bearing of most varieties on trees planted from two to five years. We now have the wonderful Kieffer, often bearing in the nurseries at one and two years old from graft or bud. In selecting trees for planting I would prefer good one-year-old trees, as they have more fibrous roots than older trees. You can, and to advantage, work the newly planted orchards to some growing crop and work them well during the season, after they commence to bear. Plow your orchards early before they come out in leaf or bloom.

As to the varieties to plant. For commercial purposes, I have come to one variety as a money maker, that is the Kieffer. I think the pear growers are getting more money for this than all other varieties combined. It is my opinion that this Kieffer pear industry is yet in its infancy. I believe that Kieffer pears will be shipped abroad the same as our apples are now shipped, and there will be a growing demand and a good market for all first-class pears for years to come, provided first class fruit is shipped.

Profits in Pears.—The pear has now become quite as important a fruit as the apple, says Rural New Yorker. It is right that it should be so, too, for it is a grand, luscious, healthful fruit, and one that can be enjoyed in its natural state for some six or seven months of the year, and, as we all know, for a canned dessert for the entire year. A list of good varieties that give pretty general satisfaction over a wide area of country, covering the entire season from very early to very late, would be about as follows, ripening in the order named: Wilder, Clapp's Favorite, Bartlett, Seckel, Sheldon, Beurre Bosc, Beurre d'Anjou, Winter Nellis, Easter Beurre. There are, of course, many other desirable varieties besides those here named, and no doubt this list would be modified by many growers, and to good advantage, too, in many cases to suit individual tastes as well as local conditions and market requirements. The above remarks remind us that a large and successful fruit grower recently showed us several returns he had from his commission merchant in New York city for his Seckel pears; \$3 per bushel, not for a single bushel or two, nor for a separate shipment either, but for many different consignments, each one comprising many bushels of fruit. His Beurre Bosc were bringing him from \$2 to \$2.50 per bushel. This fruit was, of course, grown by a man who thoroughly understands his business, and gives attention to all the details at the proper time. This is, of course, the reason for these high prices, and his great success in the profitable production of this valuable fruit.

The successful farmer is always a keen observer of what others are doing in his line.

About Clubs

If any reader will kindly get up a club for Green's Fruit Grower, let him write us for tempting offers in payment for his trouble. We will extend the same offers we made last year to those who will get up a club. Send for information.

Grandma—"Sakes alive, child! Don't tell me you are chewing gum!" Willie—"No; I ain't." Grandma—"That's a good boy. I'm proud of you!" Willie—"It's tobacco."—Chicago Daily News.

"Miss Amy, what is the best way of killing time in the winter?" Miss Amy—"Sleigh it."



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make the work easier for both the man and team. The tires being wide they do not cut into the ground; the labor of loading is reduced many times, because of the short lift. They are equipped with our famous steel wheel and axle, either straight or leg spoked. We'll ship any horses from 24 to 60 inches White hickory axles, steel rounds. Guaranteed to carry 4000 lbs. Why not get started right by putting in one of these wagons. We make our steel wheels to fit any wagon. Write for the catalog. ELECTRIC WHEEL CO., BOX 91, QUINCY, ILL.

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THIS HANDSOME DRESSED DOLL

one and one-half feet in height, imported direct from Europe for us. This doll has a beautiful bisque head, blue eyes, pearly teeth, long, natural golden, curly ringlets, a smiling face, and ornaments that can be taken off, lace trimmed underwear, automatic sleeping eyes (goes to sleep when put to bed). Elegantly and stylishly dressed. A magnificent creation, full of life and prettiness, and will please a picture, and will be a source of endless pleasure and amusement to the little ones.

Understand this is no printed cloth or rag doll that has to be made up and stuffed, or a cheap paper doll such as some concern give, but a real jointed Sleeping Beauty Doll. With Doll we will also send this handsome Doll's Chair, as illustrated in this advertisement, and which we are confident will please you. Understand we give you both Doll and Chair for only \$10.00. Our buttons and no more. This is an extraordinary offer, and cannot be duplicated by any other reliable concern. We will guarantee to treat you right, and shall expect the same treatment in return. Your outfit is guaranteed with and we trust you for the buttons until you sell them.

\$100 Reward is hereby offered to any person who can prove that we have not given Free a beautiful doll, or a sum of money, or that our testimonial letters are not genuine. Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 27, 1901.

Gentlemen—I beg to acknowledge receipt of Doll shipped via Express prepaid. It arrived on the afternoon before Christmas, and I was more than pleased with it; it is far more beautiful than the picture you sent of it. I am glad to know that there are still some honest men who will follow out what they promise. Many of the ads. in the papers are "faked" but yours was not. I thank you for the prompt manner in which you sent the Doll after sending you the \$10.00. WISHING YOU A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR FOR 1902. I remain, yours respectfully,

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Mrs. A. Ray, New Orleans, La., writes: "I have received your handsome doll in good order. I am very proud of it."

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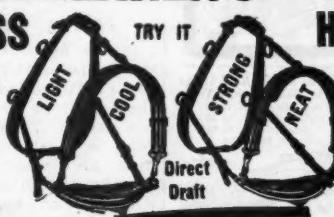
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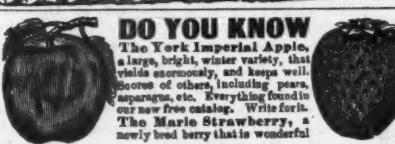
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Blades hand-forged from RAZOR STEEL file tested and warranted. This cut is exact size of 75-cent knife. To start you we will send you one for 48c.; 5 for \$2, postpaid. Best 7-in. shears, 60c. This knife and shears, \$1 postpaid; pruning shears, 75c; budding 35c; grafting 25c. Pruning shears 75c. Send for 80-page free list and "How to use a Razor."

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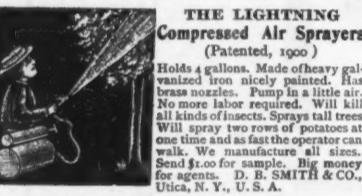
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Wildwood Memories.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by A. M. Johnson.

Oh, the days of my childhood when all things were new,
Oh, the beautiful place where the wildflowers grew,
How I loved there to wander in bright sunny hours
And gathers the fairest and sweetest of flowers,
Hepaticas, violets and adder tongues bright,
In memory I'm breathing thy fragrance tonight,
While voices of nature so pleasing to hear,
Are now sounding sweetly in memory's ear,
The partridge is drumming upon the old log,
The woodchucks are calling away on the bog,
The wild geese are honking while flying near by,
The hawks are screaming while soaring on high,
The crows are a cawing while building a nest,
The squirrels are chattering and never at rest,
The marsh frogs are piping way down in the slough,
And sweet birds are singing the whole forest through,
Oh, I loved the dear wild wood when I was a boy,
And in memory still it is mine to enjoy.

Through love to light! oh, wonderful the way
That leads from darkness to the perfect day!
From darkness and from sorrow of the night
To morning that comes singing o'er the sea;
Through love to light; through light, O God to thee.
Who art the love of love, the eternal light of light!

—Richard Watson Gilder.

Mister February,
How you fling yo' snow,
W'en v'llets in de garden
Is fixin' fer ter grow!
Don't you heah de sunshine
Say he come ter stay?
Don't you heah dat mokin' bird
Singin' you away?
—Atlanta "Constitution."



THE MEADOW LARK.

In the fields 'n early May one is almost sure to find the meadow lark. They are great walkers, and spend much of their time on the ground or perched on low trees. They are very shy. Their song is most wonderfully sweet, being high and clear. When singing they usually choose the topmost branches of a tree, in an exposed position. They are beautifully dressed in bright yellow, brown and black, and measure about ten and a half inches long. The nest is placed on the ground in bunches of grass, arranged to form a sort of roof over it. The little eggs, four to six in number, are laid early in May, and are pure white and spotted with reddish brown.—New York Tribune.

Cats make the most careful toilet of any animals, excepting some of the opossums. Lions and tigers wash themselves like the cat, wetting the dark, India rubberlike ball of the forefoot and the inner toe and passing to the face and behind the ears. The foot is thus a face sponge and brush and the rough tongue combs the rest of the body.

One nature study is the boy. There are queer boys. A farmer found his sheep dead, hit in the head—others injured. His poultry was also killed, but no use made of the bodies. At last an adopted boy was caught hammering the innocent sheep. The excitement which followed was something intense, for that little innocent looking lad had that day, within half an hour, hammered in the heads of thirteen sheep and he had in the twelve hours previous, killed twenty-three sheep in the same manner. Counting in the hens he had also killed, fifty in number.

The Purple Martin.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by Jonathan R. Marsh.

Bright spring has come to us again,
Then comes the purple martin gay.
No lonely sylvan monarch he,
But e'en a household friend; he lives
And dies the comforter of man.
When winter's snows have disappeared,
And breezes soft and warm traverse
The bright green stretch of meadow, or
The forest green and deep, and fetch
The scent of budding flowers in the grass.
Tis then he comes to me and sits upon
My moss grown roof-tree, chattering to his mate.
Each morning gracefully his little throat,
Fills every nook with sparkling melody,
So full of life that e'en my melancholy soul
In which a splendid lively spring did not
enthuse
The joyous spirit of the bright sunshine
around,
Awaked, and listening to thy soothing,
Fluttering notes,
Took heart, and firmly braved the sinful,
Scornful world,
And dared to bravely stand, obeying the commands
The loving Lord imposed for good of mortal men.
Tis thou, oh, God, who through thy servant, nature's works,
Compellest weak, admiring man to travel up,
Until his heart, ('twas meant for just such heavenly things)
Dares to fling a firm defiance to the devil's power,
And dares to live beneath his Father's gracious eye,
The brother of the mortal world, the son of perfect God.

March Winds and Forest Trees.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by E. T. Dickerman.

The kindly sun triumphal borne, his car
The bright ecliptic still pursuing.
From crystal bonds the streamlets would
unbar,
The frozen ground with green imbuing.
From glaciers, bergs, and dreadful deserts
north,
The wild North wind deploys his legions,
A howling mob that rudely issues forth
To desolate earth's fairer regions.

With tortured wings winds swoop upon the earth,
Their cries and war-whoops shrilly sounding,
They undulate the groves with fiendish mirth,
Along the fields are swiftly bounding.

Then blow! ye gales of March, as trumpets blare!

Winged warriors the trees are swaying.
Wild melodies on twigs and branches bare,
The zither of the winds is playing.

There, massed in grandeur, giants clad in mail,
The victors of a thousand battles,

Still wave defiance to the charging gale
With threat'ning arms, while tempest rattles.

With lances poised they dare to tilt at storms,
Goliaths grand, the wood's defenders;

They raise on high their proud, imperial forms,

A valiant host that ne'er surrenders.

Then blow! ye March winds blow!—but not for long,

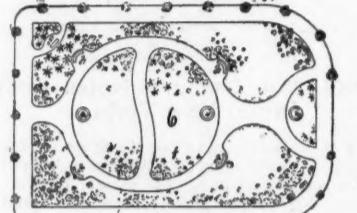
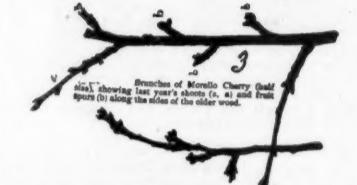
Since singing birds are northward faring.
Delightful groves, all-resonant with song,
Their garlands green will soon be wearing.

We saw a great cloud of dust at the mouth of one of the mountain passes. We carefully approached the spot and found that a band of Indians had surrounded a herd of buffalo and was driving them up the canon to a place where they could be easily killed. This was a trick of the Indians which saved them a great deal of exertion with the imperfect arms they carried.—Field and Farm.

The "expert" agrees to kill all the rats in the White House mansion for a lump sum, supposed to be \$200, or to take 25 cents a rat. If his first proposition is accepted, he says he will not accept a cent unless he gets every rat out of the house. Some, he says, will run away in terror, and it is a good thing that they do, for they tell the horrible news to their kins in other buildings, and all keep very shady for a long time afterwards.

"There is enough of it in a cigar to kill, when pure, two men. If a drop is placed on a cat's tongue it will kill the animal almost instantly, and if a drop is placed in a pan of water, and a frog is put in the water, with a case over his head, he will die from smelling the fumes. It is the same with a rat or a mouse. If the fumes of a cigarette are breathed on a piece of paper, enough nicotine will remain to kill a man."

A white life does not come from a black heart.



Suggestive Illustrations.

Cut No. 1, of the above, represents implements and methods of preparing Bordeaux mixture. Stock solution is made and kept in barrels 1 and 2, these are diluted in barrels 3 and 4, and are finally mixed in spray pump barrel No. 5. Cut No. 2, shows apple fruit spurs, which are sometimes cut off by careless men in pruning. Fruit spurs of pear are similar to this.

Cut 3, shows both the fruit spurs and the last year's shoots. Above three cuts are from Canadian Horticulturist. Cut 4, shows how to train the stubborn mane of a horse that is naturally inclined to grow on both sides of the neck. Notice that the loose strands are attached at the lower end to a light stick, and are kept in that position for a week or two without unbraiding. Cut from Rural New Yorker. Cut 5, shows how crude petroleum and water may be applied through spray hose through one elongated nozzle in spraying trees for San Jose scale or other insects. Notice that the oil and water are in separate casks on the wagon and each is conveyed separately to the nozzle in which a strong current mixes the oil and water, which cannot be mixed in the single tank on the wagon.

Cut 6, shows how a small park may be planted to advantage. Turn the paper sideways to get the front view. This cut is from Canadian Horticulturist, re-entitled from Moeller's Deutsche Gaertner-Zeitung. While this is a good design, it seems to us that it is planted too closely with shrubbery. If you desire to know how to lay out home grounds you can get an idea from this illustration, assuming that your house occupies the interior of the circle. Then confine your planting to the borders and you have the idea illustrated.

Sanctification is not a shrinking process.

Natural Enough—"Doesn't the soprano's voice sound metallic to you?" "Yes; but then, you know, there's money in it!"—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Visitor to the Prison—"I suppose this life of yours in here is a continual torture?" Convict—"Oh, no, not so bad as that. We don't have visitors every day, you know."—Boston Transcript.

Marjorie—"The idea of her marrying a man in the evening of life like old Grumley! Mayme—"The evening of life? He's farther along than that; I should say early in the next morning."—Chicago Daily News.

No Competition.—Overheard in Angel court.—"Hallo, youngster. What are you doing in the city?" "Oh, I'm in the Stock Exchange now." "What, a boy like you? What are you going to do there?" "Try to earn an honest living." "Really?" Well, you ought to succeed; there's no competition."—Bullionist.

Household Hints and Helps



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Cordova Wax Candles are of themselves an ornamentation. They are made in many tints to harmonize with surroundings and when set in pretty candelabra add much to the beauty of the occasion. Unlike the primitive tallow candle of years gone by, there is no offensive odor, smoke, or drippings—features which have done much to bring the candle again into popular and practical use.

The articles described above are for sale by dealers generally.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

Asparagus will grow on almost any soil, but the best results are obtained on a light, rich, warm soil, says Farmers' Tribune. As to the making of a bed, if you can do so make it in a location protected from the prevailing winds and so sloped as to get the full benefit of the whole day's sun. The bed, being prepared, is ready for the plants, which should not be more than one year old for yearlings will eventually produce better in every way than those which are older when planted. I prefer spring planting, say from the middle of April to the same period in May, though the work may be delayed until early June. The depth of planting should be gauged with reference to the character of the soil and method of cultivation. Some prefer four inches, I prefer six, for since the crown is built up anew about an inch every year, room should be left for new

growths before the new crown is even with the surface. Deep planting, it is true, makes late sprouting, yet this matters but little until the crowns have sufficient age to allow of cutting the sprouts, which means that the bed ought to be well established in five years after planting.

The deposits in the savings banks of the United States in 1830 were \$6,973,304; in 1901 they amounted to \$2,597,094,580. The number of depositors in 1830 was 38,085, and in 1901, 6,358,723.

The wealth of the United States has increased from \$7,135,780,000 in 1850 to an estimated \$94,300,000,000 in 1900; the per capita wealth from \$307.69 in 1850 to \$1,235.86 in 1900.

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The American Agriculturist in speaking of high manuring for tobacco says: The land was manured in the fall of 1900 with New York stable manure, 10 tons to the acre, and fertilized after plowing in the spring of 1901 with 500 pounds of dry fish scrap, 400 pounds of "vegetable ashes," and 1,300 pounds of cottonseed meal.

Exports of apples from the United States during the calendar year 1901 amounted to 599,006 barrels, valued at \$1,761,394, against 740,575 barrels in the preceding calendar year, valued at \$1,821,562.

America leads in the matter of women practicing medicine. The first was Elizabeth Blackwell, who graduated as physician in 1849. Three years later there were six in Philadelphia. In 1899 there were 3,000 women doctors in the United States; in 1896 there were 4,555, and now there are probably 6,000, some of whom have a very lucrative practice.

De reason some of us doesn't git along, said Uncle Eben, is dat we sits down dreamin' of automobiles when we orter be pushin' a wheelbarrow.—Washington "Star."


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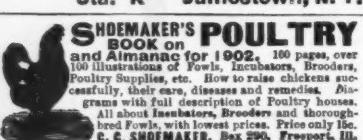
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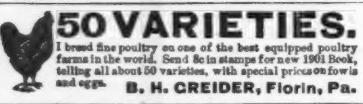
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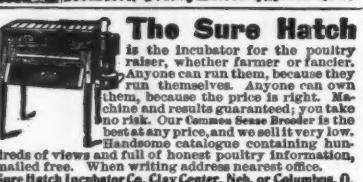
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If your breed proves profitable, stick to it and don't change about.

A good poultry house must always be warm, dry and clean, and don't forget that it has got to know what the rays of the sun look like.

You have got to pay strict attention to the market if you expect to secure the best prices. And in order to get these prices you will always have to deliver the right kind of goods.

If there is one subject beyond all others that has been definitely settled by investigation, it is that gains in live stock are most economically made early in the life of the animal, and that the cost per pound for making weight increases with increased age.

Experience has demonstrated the value of clover for egg-producing time and again. Clover has just the material in it to form eggshell, and hence it becomes an essential part of every ration fed to the chickens. It may not be generally understood that there are nearly 30 pounds of lime contained in each 1,000 pounds of clover. The chickens fed daily with clover will consequently prove better egg-layers than those denied it. The clover hay should be given to chickens in winter in quantities sufficient to satisfy them, and to make them eat more it is desirable sometimes to prepare it in various ways. Cook and chop it up, and mix it with meal or other articles. This will sometimes induce the hens to consume a great amount of clover every day. Cut up into short lengths and mixed with warm mash and then fed only as fast as the chickens will clean it up each day is probably the most economical way to feed the clover. Some cut the second crop of clover and place it in the poultry yard for the chickens to eat and scratch over at pleasure. This of itself is all right, but it is rather wasteful. More than half of the clover will be lost, and the chickens do not actually eat much more than the leaves. The stalks contain most of the lime, and these should be prepared so the chickens will consume them. Of all foods that can be raised on a farm for poultry clover is not only the best, but probably the cheapest, and a field of it is as essential to success as a pasture field is necessary to the success of dairying.—Massachusetts Ploughman.

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A fowl should always be kept in a condition suggestive of a good appetite, but should not be allowed to go actually hungry.

A certain amount of food is necessary to sustain life and produce an egg. If the hen does not get it the egg basket suffers the loss. You cannot steal from nature without paying the penalty.

A poultry house is not as clean as it should be unless you can enter it without detecting an offensive odor peculiar to filthy hen coops. There is no excuse for the air being other than pure and healthful.

Good housing has much to do with the successful rearing of fowls. The houses should be warm and dry and well built. These points may be embodied

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A yellow skinned fowl is supposed to possess a superior quality of meat, but the demand for the yellow skin is a fading and simple. The yellow skin presents a nicer appearance, and this has created the demand.

Feed a variety of food. Too many poultrymen rely upon an exclusive grain diet to produce good results. Fowls should have green food during the winter. This can be supplied in the shape of cut clover or vegetables, such as turnips, cabbage, etc.

Austin G. Yates, of New York, writes the American Agriculturist as follows:

"I began to raise chickens for my table and had no idea of any enjoyment in the business. I am surprised to discover that I have made a nice hobby for my coming old age, and am really having considerable fun, besides some little profit. The chicken business is a mere episode in a professional life, begun to produce fresh eggs and some food for my household of seven persons. It developed into a pleasant recreation. I have nearly half an acre in a city, on which I raise nothing but fruit and chickens. I never mean to exceed forty-five hens and five cocks, or thereabouts. From the last of November until about May 1st I keep them in small flocks, and then let them run together."

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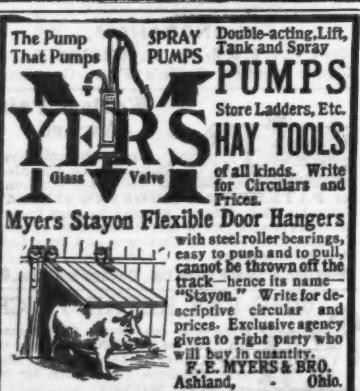
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There seems to be a call for information concerning the varieties of fruits to plant in various sections of the country. This is as sure to be the case each year as the seasons for planting come around. What to plant depends very largely upon where the work is to be done. The success or failure of the different varieties, no matter how good they may be in one section, is no sure indication that they will do equally well elsewhere. But there are some varieties that seem to be almost universal in their adaptability to the different sections of the United States and Canada.

Beginning with the North, there is a territory including the colder parts of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Canada, the northern peninsula of Michigan, and all the northern region between the Great Lakes and the Rocky mountains as far south as Central Iowa and Nebraska, which we will designate as district No. 1. Among the best of the apples that have been well tested there are: Tetofsky, Oldenburg, Wealthy, Longfield, Patten, Wolf River, McMahon and Peerless. These are all varieties which have passed through many severe winters with little injury in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Northern Vermont. In some places as far north as the vicinity of Lake Winnipeg, some kinds of crab apples have done fairly well. Among the best of these are: Virginia, Whitney, Martha and Briar Sweet.

Of pears, the Bessemelanka is considered the hardest; and among cherries the Ostheim.

The greater part of the New England states, New York, Northern Pennsylvania and Michigan may be classed together, and form district No. 2. This comprises some of the greatest fruit sections of the whole country. Here is where the Baldwin apple is raised to its greatest perfection, and the same is true of the Rhode Island Greening, Northern Spy and many other of the old standard winter apples. Hubbardston is an old one and yet a most excellent apple in quality, besides being of good size and the tree a good bearer. Sutton is another red apple of about the size of Baldwin, and better in quality. It is a good bearer and a good keeper, too. York Imperial is a third candidate for the place of Baldwin. It has been tested but little so far north as New York, but all indications point to success.

As to a list for family use, there should be many kinds and but few of each.

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Pears do remarkably well over this entire district. The Kieffer has been and is yet being planted largely all over the country. Good pears will always be in demand. The Bartlett will always sell. So will the Anjou, Bosc and Lawrence. For family use a good selection is as follows: Wilder Early, Tyson, Howell, Clapp, Bartlett, Seckel, Sheldon, Bosc, Winter Nellis and Lawrence.

In some parts of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan the peach does exceedingly well. The loss of a crop now and then should not discourage one from planting. It gives the trees a rest. The Elberta has been planted the most extensively of any kind and is yet one of the best either for market or home demand. Other good kinds are, Mountain Rose,

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Oldmixon, Fitzgerald, Hill Chili and Salway. A list for home use should be somewhat longer but include all these varieties.

Plums do finely in most of this district. The European kinds are the most successful there of anywhere east of the Rocky mountains. Grand Duke, Fellensburg, (same as German Prune,) and Lombard are among the best. The Japanese kinds all do well also. Burbank, Wickson, Abundance and Red June are good, and well tested. The American kinds will grow over this region, too.

The sweet cherries flourish in most of this second district. May Duke, Tatarian, Napoleon, Windsor and Hortense are good ones. The sour class also does well. Early Richmond, Montmorency and English Morello are the best of these.

The quince is planted in large orchards in some parts, especially in New York and Northern New Jersey. Orange, Bourgeat and Champion will supply all wants from early to late. The Bourgeat is perhaps the most promising of them at the present time.

As to berries, they nearly all do well. Among the red raspberries, Loudon seems to take the lead, but Columbian is also a good one. Of the black varieties, Kansas, Eureka and Nemaha will cover the entire season. The Taylor, Snyder, Britton and Agawam will suit the market and home use as well.

The strawberry is indispensable everywhere.

There are also many kinds of currants to choose from. Fay is a very large one. Red Cross and North Star are doing well among the new ones.

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Still fight resolutely on, knowing that in this spiritual combat none is overcome but him who ceases to struggle and to trust in God.—Lorenzo Scupoli.

The true democratic idea is, not that every man shall be on a level with every other man, but that every man shall be what God made him without let or hindrance.—H. W. Beecher.

Let it be our happiness this day to add to the happiness of those around us, to comfort some sorrow, to relieve some want, to add some strength to our neighbor's virtue.—Channing.

The Lord's love is the love of communicating all that He has to all His creatures; for He desires the happiness of all; and a similar love prevails in those who love Him, because the Lord is in them.—Emanuel Swedenborg.

It is true that love cannot be forced, that it cannot be made to order, that we cannot love because we ought to or even because we want. But we can bring ourselves into the presence of the lovable. We can enter into friendship through the door of discipleship. We can learn love through service.—Hugh Black.

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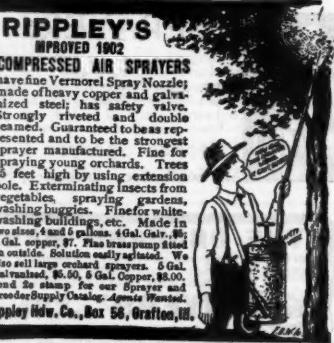
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The burden of each passing year,
And, as they one by one unfold,
Give recompense for growing old.

Our happy childhood days of yore
Unlock themselves from memory's store,
And once again we know the joys
We had when little girls or boys,
Without the after-sorrows rolled
But put away when we grow old.

Again as merry tots we play
And in the daisy meadows stray,
And bake our mud pies in the sun,
And home from school delighted run;
Again the fairy tales are told—
We all grow young when we grow old.

Again we're in our childhood's home,
Without a wish to ever roam;
The dear old pictures and the clock,
The chair in which we loved to rock
While mother held us, we behold
With eager eyes when we grow old.

Once more we hear the birds that sing
Around our door when we were young,
And see the garden, yes, and smell
Its flowers. At the dear old well
We quaff its crystal water cold
With added thirst when we grow old.
Chicago Daily Sun.

How To Succeed.

Notes from "Success," Used by Permission.

The saint, the sensualist, the scholar and the miser, though each achieves the greatest degree of success possible in his chosen line, are, from the highest standpoint of life, wretched failures.

Shall I choose pleasure, virtue, learning, or money, as the object of my life's endeavors?

This is not the right sort of question. I might as well ask: "Shall I amputate my arms or my legs?" or, "Which shall I retain, my hearing, or my sight?"

True success, the success at which we who are banding ourselves together for the world's practical betterment aim, is not the satisfying of any one passion, such as the exaltation of the saint or the avarice of the miser, but the complete life, joyous and useful, equipped with the wealth and power to spread our joy and usefulness over as wide an area as possible. Wealth of character, of knowledge, and of joy, must keep pace with increase in wealth of material things, else the very capacity of joy and usefulness, the only rational end of money wealth, is destroyed.

Men often think they are getting the earth, when, in fact, the earth is getting them; like the drunken man who thinks the earth is flying up into his face, when, instead, his face has fallen against the ground."

The man who makes up his mind quickly and firmly has an infinitely better chance of success than the one who is always hovering on the brink of hesitation and uncertainty. The temptation to open up and reconsider should be cut off immediately, for to be weak in your power of decision is to be shorn of most of your strength.

One of the most dangerous habits in which a youth can indulge is that of weighing, balancing, reconsidering, and making up his mind, and yet again reconsidering, balancing, and weighing all the arguments, for and against, until the brain becomes confused and incapable of clear judgment. Such a habit is one of the greatest dissipators of mental power, and the man who allows himself to become its victim is foredoomed to failure.

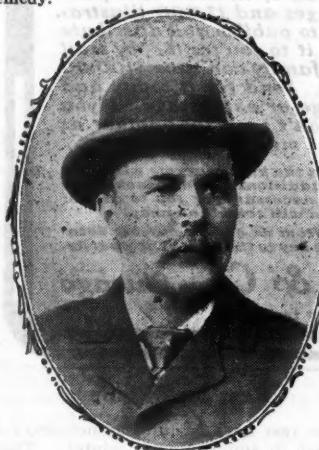
A young man who starts out to succeed must resolve firmly that he will not become a prey to indecision, that he will suffer the consequences of mistakes rather than be forever digging up matters de novo. He should make up his mind not to act hastily, or without proper consideration of the thing in hand, but to use his best judgment in arriving at a decision, and then, without hesitation or reconsideration of the arguments for and against, try to execute it with all his might. If he finds he has made a mistake, he must not be discouraged; he has had a new experience, which will prove helpful to him in the future, and the benefit accruing to him from the practice of self-reliance, prompt, unwavering decision, will be of infinitely greater value to him than a successful move would have been had he hesitated, weighed, and considered, reconsidered, and changed his mind over and over again before making a final decision.

Many people of great ability do not succeed to any extent, because of the weakness of their power of decision. They seem incapable of acting independently. They must see their friends and consult their neighbors before they can tell what to do about the simplest thing. They must think it over and over until the brain grows weary of the treadmill round forced upon it; and the more they think it over, the more consultations

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A. H. Nooney.

Chief Engineer, State Capitol Building, Jan. 2nd, 1902. Topeka, Kan.

EDITORIAL NOTICE—The wonderful remedy, Swamp-Root, is so remarkably successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all of our readers who have not already tried it may have a sample bottle of Swamp-Root sent absolutely free by mail. Also a valuable book telling all about kidney and bladder troubles and containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured by Swamp-Root. In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say that you read this generous offer in Green's Fruit Grower.

they have about it, the less able are they to reach any conclusion. So they go through life, halting, uncertain, robbed of their strength, deprived of the large success they were fitted by their ability to win, because of this fatal lack of power to decide for themselves and to decide promptly.

We frequently receive letters from young men and women telling us that they believe they could succeed under different circumstances; that they are conscious of possessing great powers, but that their surroundings are uncongenial to their development.

It is true that many young people in this country are not favorably placed for the development of their talents, but Success wishes to suggest, to these discontented ones, that the greatest characters in the world's history, the men and women who helped bring civilization up from barbarism struggled against just such unkind conditions as exist today. It was the struggle to overcome obstacles, the fight against inhospitable surroundings, that developed their extraordinary powers, which, otherwise, might have remained dormant.

There is nothing which quite takes the place, in a boy's life, of the consciousness that somebody—his teacher, brother, sister, father, mother, or friend—believes in him.

One of the most discouraging things to a youth who is apparently dull, yet is conscious of real power and ability to succeed, is to be depreciated by those around him, to feel that his parents and teachers do not understand him, that they look upon him as a probable failure.

When into the life of such a boy there comes the loving assurance that somebody has discovered him, has seen in him possibilities undreamed of by others, that moment there is born within him a new hope, a light that will never cease to be an inspiration and encouragement.

If you believe in a boy, if you see any

Miss Alice Brown, the well known trained nurse, is in a position to speak with knowledge. She was formerly with the St. Louis Baptist Hospital and has had many trying experiences in her arduous vocation. She adds her valuable testimony to the thousands already received by Swamp-Root. She said in a signed interview with a reporter of the St. Louis Star: "Although a woman in my position can receive plenty of prescriptions from physicians without cost, it was upon the advice of a well known West End Doctor that I began to take Swamp-Root. No, I will not tell you his name, for he might not like it. But all the same, I took it when I was run down from night work in the sick room. I was thin and yellow and tired even when I rose from my sleep. Swamp-Root gave me a relish for my food and



MISS ALICE BROWN.

cleared my blood from its stagnant impurities. Of course I do not praise Swamp-Root as a cure for all troubles, but it is splendid for the kidneys, stomach and bowels and relieves female disorders when all other remedies have failed to give relief. I know of many cases in the hospital cured by this wonderful remedy.

Alice Brown

1519 Semple Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

real ability in him, (and every human being is born with ability to do some one thing well,) tell him so; tell him that you believe he has the making of a man in him. Such assurance has often proved of greater advantage to a youth than cash capital.

There is inspiration in "He believes in me."

One of the worst features of the concentrated life of modern times is the loss of individuality and personal characteristics.

We do not find in our national life, at the present day, the striking, strong individuality of early history. The hewing, polishing processes of modern civilization seem to grind away all of the sharp corners of individuality, and everything tends to assume a conventional form. People seem to be run in the same mold.

A strong, striking character is a rare thing in these days. The individual is lost in the mass. Cities grind away and erase independence. Unfortunately, there is many a man who seems to be content to be one of the crowd, and not a leader of the crowd.

With some notable exceptions, newspapers lack individuality. Their opinions are impersonal, and the editors are lost. Few people know who writes the editorials or the leading articles. The days of Dana and Greeley and Bowles seem to have gone forever. Nobody in particular is responsible for any opinion or policy. Everything is referred to the stockholders. Not only do the editors lose their individuality, but so also does everyone who is connected with each paper.

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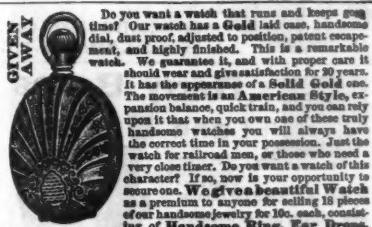
Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, and if permitted to continue fatal results are sure to follow. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you dizzy, restless, sleepless and irritable. Makes you pass water often during the day, and obliges you to get up many times during the night. Causes puffy or dark circles under the eyes, rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints and muscles, makes your head ache and back ache, causes indigestion, stomach and liver trouble; you get a sallow, yellow complexion; makes you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambition, but no strength; get weak and waste away.

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The bending twigs take root, and daughters grow
About the mother tree, a pillar'd shade,
High over-arched, with echoing walks between.
There oft the Indian herdsman, shunning heat,
Shelters in cool, and tends his pasturing herds
At loopholes cut through thickest shade. Milton.

Roasting.

Roasting means to heat violently, and is done either before an open fire, or in a hot oven without any water. The object beside making the meat fit for food, is to quickly harden the albumen on the outside of the meat, so that the juices and goodness of the meat may be kept inside; the softening of the fibres is also accomplished. The meat should be seared first either by placing it in the pan on the top of the range, or by having the oven very hot to begin with. The first method is better.

For roasting meats the method adopted should be the one that preserves the juices within the meat in the most perfect manner, thus rendering it sweet, juicy and tender. Salt and water have a tendency to extract the juices of the meat and toughen it, and basting is a troublesome, as well as a damaging process. Searing almost instantly coats the cut sides of a piece of meat, and prevents the escape of the juices in the process of roasting, while a firm steady heat gently but thoroughly cooks it, thus preserving the juices and flavor.

Hard to Explain.

Frank Anderson was for years a well known commercial traveler, who made Galena. He was passionately fond of honey, and the proprietor of the Galena hotel, at which he always stopped always had some on hand for him. On one trip Anderson took his wife along, and as he approached Galena he mentioned to her that he was getting to a place where he could have honey. When the pair were sitting at the supper table that night no honey appeared, and Anderson said sharply to the head waiter, "Where is my honey?" The waiter smiled and said, "You mean the little black haired one? Oh, she don't work here now." And the "Republican" says that Anderson never did get it fixed up satisfactorily with his wife.—Exchange.

"As bearing upon the influence of growing a crop in an orchard, experiments conducted in an apple orchard in Illinois showed that the percentage of water in the upper 27 inches of the soil where clean cultivation was practiced, was 12; in the soil where oats were allowed to grow, 8, and where grass was allowed to grow, 8 per cent. This means a difference in the upper three feet of the soil between the cultivated part of the orchard and the part where oats or grass were allowed to grow, of 420,000 pounds of water, or 210 tons, all of which would be available to the trees. Illustrations of this kind could be multiplied to great number."

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Rest for Women.

The rest hour is quite as necessary to women in summer as in winter. There are very few people who are not better for going away by themselves, if only fifteen minutes or half an hour, during the day. Lie down on the bed or lounge, allow the muscles to relax, and try to banish all perplexing thoughts. Make certain that you will never be interrupted or subject to call during these few moments, and the habit of sleep will come to you. A rest of even ten minutes, free from interruption, will do more toward soothing the nerves than four times the same length of time spent lying down with noisy children near, or thoughtless persons discussing the last fashion. The important matter is to secure for the tired worker absolute peace at the rest hour. Even without sleep it is better than a rest hour amid noisy surroundings in sleep which is almost certain to be a troubled one. As a matter of ceremony, the rest hour should be insisted on, because work done after it is certain to be so much better that it much more than makes up for the time taken from work. Work accomplished with the nerves exhausted never amounts to as much as work done when the energies are fresh.

The woman who works will probably go on working at her underpaid daily tasks to the end, with her ambitions all laid on the shelf, content if able to earn the stipend necessary for her daily existence or those who are dependent upon her. One of the blessings given to women by the new century should be to educate her as her brothers are educated with the idea of choosing and working at some profession or business as soon as her education is finished, without any regard to her parents' ability to support her. If she marries early and does not avail herself of her privileges there is no harm done; if not, she has a career and can follow it with some chance of success. For a young woman to work now means that for pecuniary reasons she is obliged to, but if the above result could be brought about she would work in order to become independent and happy.

Formula for Outside Paint.—This proves very satisfactory after five years' application, is as bright as when first laid, and appears to stand the weather well, says "Canadian Horticulturist." Take 1 gallon linseed oil, 10 pounds dry zinc paint and 10 pounds whiting and reduce to a paste; dissolve 1 pound potash; reduce with skim milk thin enough to spread as freely as oil paint. Ground zinc may be used, but does not require so much oil. I was a practical house painter for more than twenty-five years, using French zinc almost entirely for outside work, and am surprised at the result of the above.

The man who wishes to be his own master—to be employer instead of employee—need not despair, even though he have but little capital. He can have his wish if he will keep out of the comparatively small number of industries which demand great capital as a condition of cheap production, and confine himself to some one of the myriads of minor industries which do not excite the cupidity of the great manufacturer or attract the attention of the promoter.

The Bee Hums in the Meadow.

Will T. Hale, in New York Times. I'm getting weary, Molly, of our visit here in town, Though daughter's done her very best to keep homesickness down, With sixty years spent on the farm, the town don't seem to be, Fer all its gayety an' sick, the fittest place fer me, It's true the girls is married an' the boys is gone away, An' home is sorter like ourselves—a bit run down an' gray, But still I want to git back there whar' life flows slow an' sweet, With bee-hums in the meadows an' the pattering in the wheat.

I've read the volumes, Molly, my daughter had me read; I've gone about the city twice an' all its sights I've seen; But—will you b'lieve it!—lookin' down there on the cold an' slush, There comes a flood o' memories an' a sort o' solemn hush. I see the children rompin' round the premises once more, An' sproutin' jonquils in the yard an' roses by the door— An' then I somehow hear 'twixt me an' noises of the street, The bee-hums in the meadows an' the patter in the wheat.

Where Are the Experiment Stations Located?

The readers of Green's Fruit Grower are scattered all over this country and many of them write for information about insects, diseases, etc., stating that they do not know where their state experiment stations are located, else they would write their station. Here is a hint for experiment stations to do a little advertising, or in some way to inform the people of their state where they may be found. We give below the location of every experiment station in the United States:

Alabama, Auburn; Arizona, Tucson; Arkansas, Fayetteville; California, Berkeley; Colorado, Fort Collins; Connecticut, Mansfield, New Haven; Delaware, Newark; Dover; Florida, Lake City, Tallahassee; Georgia, Athens; Idaho, Moscow; Illinois, Urbana; Indiana, Lafayette, Iowa, Ames; Kansas, Manhattan; Kentucky, Lexington; Frankfort; Louisiana, Baton Rouge, New Orleans; Maine, Orono; Maryland, College Park; Massachusetts, Amherst; Michigan, Agricultural College; Minnesota, Minneapolis; Mississippi, Agricultural College, Westside; Missouri, Columbia; Montana, Bozeman; Nebraska, Lincoln; Nevada, Reno; New Hampshire, Durham; New Jersey, New Brunswick; New Mexico, Mesilla Park; New York, Ithaca; North Dakota, Fargo; Ohio, Columbus; Oklahoma, Stillwater; Oregon, Corvallis; Pennsylvania, State College; Rhode Island, Kingston; South Carolina, Clemson College, Orangeburg; South Dakota, Brookings; Tennessee, Knoxville; Texas, College Station; Utah, Logan; Vermont, Burlington; Virginia, Blacksburg, Hampton; Washington, Pullman; West Virginia, Morgantown, Farm; Wisconsin, Madison; Wyoming, Laramie.

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VAN DEMAN PAPERS**FRUIT NOTES FROM THE FARMERS' INSTITUTES.**

Within the last two months I have been constantly engaged in talking before the farmers' institutes in Maryland and New York and many interesting and instructive things have been discussed. It is evident that the farmers are learning more than ever before about their business, and, among other things, that fruit growing is usually the most profitable part of their work.

NURSERY SWINDLERS.

In one section of Maryland there were number of well meaning and apparently intelligent farmers who had been induced to invest considerable money with a set of sharpers representing a nursery in western Ohio. The plan was to sell them 100 trees to be planted on one acre of land, consisting of apple, pear, peach and plum trees. They were to be set among each other after a very elaborate plan. The apple trees were to be Wisconsin Spy, Milwaukee, and some other equally new and untried kinds. Some of the varieties of the other fruits were equally new and unknown, but they were lauded by the agents as being just the kinds to suit these Maryland farmers. The price to be paid was \$100, of which \$50 must be cash on delivery of the trees and the other \$50 to be paid in fruit at the end of five years.

Now the truth is that 100 trees are usually too many on one acre, and besides, it is not a good plan to plant stone and pome fruits on the same land at the same time. Again, the varieties I heard mentioned are untried in Maryland and almost surely not suited to that region, if anywhere. Furthermore the first \$50 paid in cash, is about four times that of good trees that may be had of nearly any good nursery nearer home; and the agents were perfectly safe in waiting to get the other \$50 out of a fruit crop. Moreover, what surely is there that such schemers have furnished really good varieties of any kind of fruit? The wonder is that there are people enough to agree to such falshorn terms.

In the vicinity of Sodus, N. Y., I found that another gang of sharpers purporting to be from Rochester, N. Y., have sold a lot of peach trees at \$25 per 100, said to be budded on plum roots. They have claimed that such trees will never take peach yellows and that the only really good peach growers have peach trees on plum roots. These claims are absolutely untrue for both have been proven so by experiment. They are false representations and as the trees are not to be delivered until this spring there is time for the victims to unite and resist their delivery, on the ground of false representations. No reasonable jury would decide in favor of these rascals. Good trees can be bought for about \$10 per 100.

I also heard more of the results of the peach tree swindle that was perpetrated in the same vicinity about three or four years ago by the agent of another prominent and fraudulent nursery firm in the same part of Ohio. These scamps sold trees of Daniel Boone and some other equally little known, or possibly, mythical kinds. Some of the trees have borne miserable little peaches and the trees have either been dug up or rebudded with better kinds at great expense. Others proved to be Elberta, which is a very profitable variety, but was not included in the list as sold. The fact is that trees were bought wherever they could be obtained the most cheaply, and relabeled to coincide with the sales the agents made. They claimed that it was necessary to charge \$15 per 100 for the new and choice varieties they made believe they were selling, which was almost three times the price asked at that time for good peach trees by reliable nurserymen. Many thousands of dollars were thus taken, unjustly, out of the pockets of trustful people in Wayne and other counties along Lake Ontario within a year or two.

Who is going to be swindled this year by some such schemers? They first tell something that is plausible, or perhaps true, to gain confidence and then something that the unsuspecting person is not certain about and finally the deliberate falsehood. He gets his victim out beyond his depth and then put him under.

HEADING APPLE TREES.

There were frequent discussions by the best fruit growers in both Maryland and New York about the best plans for training apple trees. A few believed in the old plan of having high heads, while nearly all were in favor of having them lower than they are usually seen in the

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Childhood Memories.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower.

A fashionably dressed woman stood before her mirror arranging her toilet. I, her old playmate sat near by, watching her and listening as she sang softly:

The sweet brier under the windowsill,
Which the early birds made glad,
And the damask rose by the garden fence
Were all the flowers we had.

Turning to me she said: "I loved them better than all the wealth of our city greenhouses. If I could go back to my childhood days, and lie in my attic chamber, listening to the patter of the rain upon the roof, and draw long sweet breaths of the fragrant sweet-brier I should be blissfully happy."

I looked at this woman of the world, this leader of fashion, from whose cheek the damask had faded. I could remember when the rose by the garden fence was not more beautiful in its delicate coloring than her cheeks. I had come from country home to visit her. I had thought her a bit hard hearted, with a stately dignity, and a love for fashion, fine clothes and society. She had hidden her childhood love for simple things from sight. As I looked at her, sadly thinking how happy she used to be with her flowers, she gathered the beautiful roses and laid her cheek against them and I saw tears like dewdrops fall upon their crimson petals.

A great joy thrilled through my heart, for, in those tears I saw a glimpse of her former self, which I feared had been swallowed up in fashionable life. I feared she had forgotten her simple childhood home in her present magnificence. Forgotten how:

The o' brown homestead reared its walls,
From the wayside dust aloof,
Where the apple boughs could almost cast
Their fruit upon its roof.

As she fastened the roses upon her dress and gave the last finishing touches to her elaborate toilet, she dropped all her former restraint, and with no one but her old school friend to listen, talked of her old home, of her life at grandma's and the wonderful garden where—

Morning glories and larkspur stood,
Close to the neighborly daffodil,
Cabbage rose and southern wood,
Roamed through the beds at their own
sweet will.

Many years have passed since then,
Grandma's house is empty and still,
Grandma's babies have grown to men,
And the roses grow wild o'er the window-sill.

"I pity the children who have never lived in the country," she said. "They have missed something they can never glean from city life. Children need the dirt, the freedom and the flowers, they need the memory too, when they grow old. I do indeed feel sorry for those who have no grandma's garden to remember." Then she sang softly:

The children are better men to-day,
For the cakes and rose leaves and garden
walks,
And grandma's welcome so far away,
And the old sweet-William upon their
stalks.

It was a real pleasure to me to know that the old love for flowers had not died out; but when I inquired why she did not have them scattered about her beautiful home, for I knew she had ample means to gratify this taste, she replied wearily, "Oh, the servants are so careless, they spill water upon the plush table scarfs and polished wood." Poor woman, she had nearly crushed all the natural love out of her heart by the slavery chains of plush and heavy draperies and shining wood. God's sunlight faded her carpets and the want of it had faded her cheeks. If it were not for the sweet memories of her childhood and youth her life would be a mockery. Just so long as she can speak of them I shall know that there is still a natural freshness in her heart. When one ceases to love flowers for their own sweet sakes, they have almost ceased to love the kind Father that gave them, and by His tender love makes even the tiny grass blade a comfort and blessing.

To make chocolate caramels, put in a saucepan half a cupful each of molasses, of white sugar and of brown sugar, a cupful of grated or milk. Stir the mixture constantly over the fire until it reaches the hard-boil stage. Then add a teaspoonful of vanilla and turn it onto a buttered tin, making the paste an inch thick. Mark it into inch squares and cut before it is quite cold.

Milk Toast—Make dipped toast, then pour over it a white sauce made by melting 1 teaspoonful butter in a saucepan, adding 1 tablespoonful flour, stirring until smooth, then adding 1 cup milk seasoned with 1 saltspoonful salt, 1-4 saltspoonful pepper; boil 3 minutes stirring constantly.

Salted Almonds—When these almonds were first sold by confectioners they brought \$1 a pound. It is cheaper and better to make them at home and have them fresh. Purchase Jordan almonds, which have a hard shell that keeps the nut from drying. They are 25 cents or less in the shell and about 60 cents without. Buy them in the shell to insure their being soft and tender. Crack them and blanch them by throwing them into boiling water, and in five minutes throwing off the water and rubbing the skins off with a towel. To each cupful of blanched almonds add a tablespoonful of sweet olive oil and toss the nuts about until they are well coated. Let the nuts stand an hour, then sprinkle over every cupful of nuts a tablespoonful of fine table salt. Put the salted nuts in clean baking pans and set them into an oven of moderate heat, and let them become crisp and a delicate brown. They should not remain in the oven over fifteen minutes.

There is an unwritten law regarding the accompaniments of various dishes which is changeless in the daily bill of fare. Who, for example, would serve roast turkey without cranberry sauce, lamb without pease, venison without currant jelly, roast pork without apple sauce or fish without cabbage? With veal, lamb and all other white meats, peas, beans, cabbage, cauliflower, spinach, and, in fact, most vegetables growing above ground are best. With roasts, turnips, carrots, parsnips, corn, asparagus, onions and tomatoes are all suitable. Spinach is usually served with veal, and mashed turnip and onions with roast pork. For fowl, potatoes are generally mashed; for roast pork, baked, for roast beef, peeled and baked in the pan with the meat, and for fish, fried.

Pearl Pudding—Three tablespoonfuls of pearl tapioca, cooked in boiling water till softened, and then boiled with one quart of milk and one small cup of sugar. When boiled, stir this into the beaten yolks of four eggs. Flavor with vanilla, and pour into pudding dish. Beat the whites of the eggs very stiff, add three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and a few drops of lemon juice. Place this over the pudding, dropping it off the end of a fork so that it does not go on smoothly. Grate some lemon rind over this and brown slightly in a quick oven, and you have a pretty and palatable dessert.

Scrambled Eggs with Mushrooms—Are served on toast. Break one cupful of mushrooms into small pieces, dredge them with flour and put them into the saucepan with three tablespoonfuls of butter, a few drops of onion juice, salt and paprika. Cook for ten minutes. Beat three eggs slightly, not separating them, and season them with salt and pepper to taste. Add them to the mushrooms and scrape them from the bottom as they cook until the mixture is thick and creamy.

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Notes from the Nursery.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by E. H. Burson.

The thermometer indicated that it was close to zero the other morning when I happened to drop into a neighboring horse barn, (I am glad it was not in our neighborhood,) and saw a man take a bridle from a peg, walk up to a noble looking animal in the stall, and without a word or perhaps a thought, put the frozen steel in the animal's mouth. Oh, the shame of it. Had I been stabbed at that moment I could not have felt it more. I hear of others who never warm a bit when frosted, and believe that it behooves every horse owner to see that his animals are treated humanely in this respect.

Some fifteen years ago we secured strips of old zinc for tree labels and although since that time we have tried many other kinds of label, we have found nothing that will equal it. Of the kinds tried some could not stand the weather and a good sou'wester whisked them off presumably to other counties at the rate they went across lots, some got overlooked and cut into the limbs, others (the white painted labels) the paint peeled off. But these 15 year old zinc fellows are there (some of them) to-day, and I have just bought 75 pounds more old zinc to make some more. I'll rip off every other kind of label that bothers or is likely to bother and put on this good old friend on every fruiting tree in the nursery.

February 3d six carloads of manure, one of box lumber, one of baled shavings for bedding, and one of corn and bran for horse feed, are expected in this week. This will make it interesting for a number of men and horses, especially if the roads are bad. We are now experiencing our annual early February blizzard and the drifts are piling up.

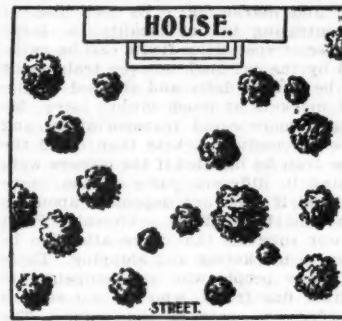
Eggs at 30 cents a dozen and yet the man who carried a crate of poultry shipped by us the other day to the station, couldn't get the two or three eggs out of the crate that the hens laid on the way down.

Who can tell why it is that if we find that there is one rabbit living in a rail pile near that block of trees December 1st and hustle it out and kill it that before the week is out there will be another filling its place. Hustle this one out too and kill it and eat it so that there can be no mistake about its being destroyed, and in another week's time there are the unquestionable tracks in the snow around that pile and in the tree block of a third rabbit. This young or old fellow shares the same fate as the other two and within two days some one brings word that there is another rabbit living in the same harbor where the others were dispatched from. This has actually occurred here this winter. At the time of killing each of the rabbits there was positively no tracks in the snow of any except the one destroyed. Where did they come from? How did they know that the home was vacant? Why didn't all four live together in one little house?

One of the dangers in the nursery at this season is now seen in the many rows or parts of rows of two and three year old apples, pears, etc., buried above the main branches with snow. As soon as the snow stops drifting, we will save the trees by treading so that when the settling occurs it will settle away from the trees and not drag the limbs down and strip them off. Then there is that nice block of two year old Red Cross, buried at least four feet deep, owing to the large hazelnut hedge. Many of them will undoubtedly be broken down and lost when a genuine thaw sets in, as the weight of snow must be immense. It is noted also that some of the fruiting peach and plum trees are buried unusually deep and must be trod around to save some of the best limbs.

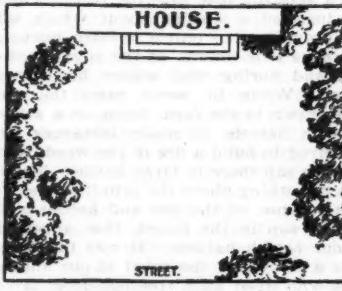
A large consignment of many thousands of apple seedlings have just been received and these will be gone over soon. Some will be laid aside, trimmed and put ready for planting out in nursery rows in the spring for next season's budding, while others will be taken in hand by the grafters and grafted roots put up ready for spring planting.

About Planting Lawns.



"THE WRONG WAY IS TO PLANT HAPHAZARD."

The above cut illustrates the wrong way of planting lawns or yards in front of houses, and this wrong way is the manner in which the majority of inexperienced people plant trees or shrubs, or locate flower beds. The result of this bad planting is that there is no lawn plot, it is difficult to run a lawn mower about such promiscuous grounds, and the trees or shrubs in front of the house obstruct the view.



"THE RIGHT WAY IS TO LEAVE OPEN SPACES."

The second illustration shows the right way of planting a lawn or yard, no matter how large it may be. Notice that the trees, shrubbery or beds of flowers are on the borders of the plot leaving the center open and unobstructed for the lawn; and remember that a lawn like this is the most beautiful object that can be introduced on the home ground, if well kept. This illustration was designed by landscape gardener Olmsted, the most competent man in this country, at the suggestion of the Civic Improvement association, of Dayton, Ohio. His rules for planting briefly stated are as follows: First, open centers. Second, plant in masses. Third, avoid straight lines in planting.

Many readers of Green's Fruit Grower are writing us for information as to when they shall plant and what they shall plant. Above illustration will give them an idea. If the home lot embraces an acre or several acres, surround the entire acre with trees and shrubbery, after the suggestions made in the above cut, showing the right way. The outer lines of the border should be planted to strong growing trees, such as elm, maple, basswood, poplar, and in front of these lower growing shrubs or trees can be planted, or an occasional bed may circle in towards the lawn from this border of trees and shrubs. Never under any circumstances plant a bed in the center of a lawn.

Why do we prune fruit trees? First, to keep the fruit bearing branches as near the ground as possible in order that the fruit may be more easily gathered. Second, to reduce the number of fruit bearing branches, so that the trees may not over bear. Third, to admit a reasonable amount of sunlight and ventilation through the top of the tree. Where the head of the tree is too dense the fruit does not color so well; but where the head is opened up so that the whole blast of summer sun enters, the tree may be damaged. Fourth, to admit cultivation reasonably near the tree unless it is desired to let the branches remain near the ground in which case the ground will be so densely shaded, cultivation will not be necessary near the

tree. Fifth to lessen the excessive vigorous growth. Sixth, to remove branches that cross or interfere with each other. Seventh, to open up the head of the tree so that the pickers may gain easy access to the fruit. Eighth, to compel the trees to adopt some particular desired form, so that an orchard may have a uniform appearance.

Wm. Rickard, sr., asks Green's Fruit Grower how to make white wash and how to apply it to rough kitchen walls that have been white washed many times. A friend who is an expert at such work as this, says that old kitchen walls that have been white washed over and over again, should have the rough and loose old white wash scraped off from the walls thoroughly before applying the new wash. This old flakey white wash can be removed by a sharp knife, chisel, or something of that kind. After this old material has been removed and the walls are reasonably smooth, sponge off the surface of the wall with strong vinegar. Then give the walls a covering of sizing, which is simply a thin solution of ordinary glue and water. Apply hot with a white wash brush; after this sizing has dried, which will be several hours, the white wash may be applied and it will hold firmly. This expert's formula for making white wash is to get fresh unslaked lime, place in a 12 quart pail, and pour upon it enough water to thoroughly wet the entire mass. Let this stand for 24 hours. Then remove a portion of this lime putty thus prepared into another pail and dilute it with enough water to make it the consistency of cream. Into every 12 quarts of this creamy white wash mix thoroughly a large handful of salt. This salt will make the white wash more like paint, and will prevent its rubbing off easily. If you wish to remove the yellow tint of the natural white wash, add a little bluing such as is used by your wife in washing, which will give it a slight bluish tint. This covering of white wash is a great purifier, destroying all germs upon the walls or other surfaces thus covered. We white wash the stone walls inside our house cellars and stable cellar, thus destroying myriads of germs of the various kinds and also making the cellar much lighter. Such a white wash is desirable for the trunks of fruit trees.

It is estimated that \$80,000,000 worth of strawberries were sold and consumed in this country last season. Possibly this is an exaggeration but it cannot be doubted that the strawberry is a popular fruit, and one that is looked forward to each season with great expectations by many people. I for one look anxiously forward to the development of the strawberry beds, and when the season draws to a close a feeling of sadness comes over me. I am a friend of the strawberry.

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EDITORIAL**Delays in Getting Green's Fruit
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Our readers will please notice that our paper as now printed cannot always reach them as early as did the old style with larger pages, owing to the fact that in the present form, which must be printed on slow press, it takes several weeks to print and mail 100,000 copies, which is the number we are now printing and mailing. Therefore do not feel alarmed if you do not receive Green's Fruit Grower at as early a date as formerly. Our paper in its old form of large pages was printed on a fast press, all the printing being done in a day or two, whereas now it requires several weeks to do the printing alone.

A spray calendar is what you need. Send to your experiment station for this spray calendar. It tells you how to spray, what kind of spray to use, and how to make the spray mixture with other valuable information. Send for it now and be prepared for this important work.

M. J. Sowers, of Pennsylvania, says that his paper advises the spraying of fruit trees in March with a mixture of salt, lime and sulphur, to be applied boiling hot, to kill the San Jose scale, and asks whether in our opinion the boiling hot mixture would not injure the trees. The hot mixture certainly would destroy any foliage it came in contact with. If applied to the bark and branches of the trees when there is no foliage upon them, by use of the spray pump, the mixture would have cooled before reaching the tree. The idea of having the mixture boiling hot is probably to have it work better through the spray pump. But the mixture spoken of has a rival, since an application of crude petroleum oil has been found to be equally effective in destroying the scale. This spraying of the trees with crude petroleum oil should be done before the leaves start or the buds expand, since the oil spray would destroy the leaves if applied late in the spring.

A hunter traveling in the mountains in search for a dinner, passed many uninviting places, and finally came to a home which "looked like a standing invitation to come in." Does your home look like a standing invitation to come in, let me ask? Every home is expressive of some one thing more than another. Some houses and grounds are repulsive. It is not necessary to keep a bull dog at such a home to keep you from entering, for you have no inclination to enter. You see nothing to attract you, everything is bleak and barren. But there are other homes that induce you to pause with admiration, places so home-like and so inviting, with sunny verandas, well kept lawns and walks, with carefully arranged flower beds, which present a "standing invitation to come in."

Did you ever lose an old home? Were you ever compelled by legal proceedings to leave the place where you have lived all your life, and which you have each year embellished, and which has each year become dearer to you? A reader of Green's Fruit Grower writes that she has a home in the country where she has lived nearly all the years of her life. She has delighted in this home, and has each year added something to its attractiveness, until the place is in fact a part of herself. Not only this but the locality and people about have become dear to her. Now in her old age through a misfortune over which she has no control, she is about to be

driven from this home into the cold uncharitable world. Can you imagine a sadder case?

D. W. Dwin of the state of Washington writes Green's Fruit Grower that Ben Davis is the leading commercial apple in his locality on account of its productiveness and fine keeping qualities, also for its attractive appearance, but the climate does not ripen and color Ben Davis as it does in other localities, therefore they are looking for a fruit more particularly desirable for that locality. This question has been voted upon by ballot, and the varieties selected for the best market varieties are Rome Beauty and Jonathan. These are certainly two valuable varieties. Rome Beauty is an apple that originated in New York state many years ago the value of which was not appreciated, owing to the fact that it was a slow grower in the nursery.

E. F. Woodhull asks our opinion of the monopoly which congress has given to fourteen manufacturing companies which have the exclusive right or privilege of making free rural delivery mail boxes. He intimates that these fourteen companies are liable to combine and form a trust, compelling farmers to pay outrageous prices for these boxes, and farmers are compelled to use those particular boxes if any, as he understands. The opinion of Green's Fruit Grower is that if congress has acted as he states it was not a wise move. It is our opinion, however, that every farmer can put up boxes of his own manufacture if he sees fit.

Some people claim that a northern slope is the best locality for an orchard, since a northern slope is later and the buds will not start so early in the spring and are not so liable to be injured by late spring frosts. I have no orchards on northern slopes and cannot speak from experience, but I have noticed that the snow remains much longer on land that slopes to the north, and I am inclined to favor the theory that northern slopes may be the best.

Since the garden must be cultivated and planted very early in the spring, it should be well drained. No garden can give the best results without being well drained. Place the tiles not farther than 12 to 15 feet apart. This tile drain not only enables you to plant the garden earlier but it makes the soil warmer, since the escape of water permits the ground to dry and the seeds to germinate thus promoting the growth of your fruit and vegetables.

Thanks to the pioneers in horticulture. Many of these pioneers engaged in the work simply for the love of it. They did not hope for great rewards in the way of profit. Without the influence of their work we would not at the present day enjoy such great horticultural prosperity. The pioneers were like those early backwoodsmen who went through the country blazing the trees so that others who followed might find their way or even penetrate farther into the unknown. I remember one of these pioneers, who many years before vineyards were thought of in Western New York, planted a vineyard of several acres on a sunny hill side, sheltered on the west by a woodland; this was before the days of the Concord. He planted of necessity such varieties as Isabella, Catawba, and others long since discarded in this part of the country. He met with great success in so far as his vines were loaded with fruit, but it rarely ripened since his varieties were the late ripening kind, thus he received no further reward than the knowledge of being in advance of his time. This man has since made himself wealthy in other enterprises, which indicates that enterprising people, although they may fail in some one thing, are often finally led by their enterprise into prosperity. I remember pioneer orchardists in Western New York. They did not know what varieties to plant, and thus made great mistakes in planting, but their experiments were helpful to those who came after them, yet I do not doubt that they enjoyed their early work along this line. I have in mind a pioneer peach orchard in Western New York. This was the first large peach orchard in this locality that ever made a great success. This orchard was visited by interested people from every part of the state, and much was said about it in horticultural meetings and by the horticultural press. This orchard was the one bright thing in the life of the old man whose financial death was prophesied, but it turned out to be an exceedingly profitable venture. I can remember the first man in this part of the country who began to grow strawberries

for market. That was before the days of the Wilson. The varieties known then were far inferior to those known to-day, yet this man took great delight in his berry field and received a liberal reward in the way of profits. These pioneers were not only laughed at by their neighbors, but considered a little off in the way of sanity.

Co-operation in the way of marketing fruits is an important question. In California growers of certain kinds of fruits locate in the same vicinity. Thus you will find in California one part of the country devoted to apricots, another to prunes, another to grapes, another to oranges and lemons, etc., this plan greatly facilitates co-operation in shipping and marketing. By this plan of concentrating in one locality a large number of specialties fruits can be gathered by the car load, or even train loads can be put up daily and shipped to distant markets at much lower rates for freight, more rapid transportation, and more successful markets than could the same fruit be handled if the owners were located in different parts of the country, and if each one depended upon his own unaided efforts. Green's Fruit Grower suggests that more attention be given to marketing and shipping. There are many people who are competent to produce fine fruits, who are not so well qualified to market the same. The scheme of co-operation has been adopted in many of the large grape growing sections of New York state and other states with marked success. No doubt the time is not far distant when this method of marketing and shipping will receive far greater attention.

Another attractive season at the farm when I was a boy was the maple sugar season. There was a large wooded lot near the old homestead filled with maple trees of large size and great vigor, and each season these were tapped by boring a slanting hole into the tree. Then we inserted a wooden spout which led the dropping sap into a wooden bucket. We boys took charge of the sugar making, and during that season had great sport. While in some cases the sap was drawn to the farm house on a stone boat in barrels, in many instances we preferred to build a fire in the woods and boil the sap there in large kettles. There was something about the primitiveness of this scheme, of the fire and kettles and boiling sap in the forest, that appealed to our boyish natures. It was undoubtedly a revival of the spirit of our ancestors who lived such free out-door lives exclusively. After the sap was gathered and fires were burning we boys would amuse ourselves with bow and arrows, with our guns, or in other ways. A boy in the woods is never at a loss for amusement under such circumstances, and when the noon hour came how sharp were our appetites. How we relished the simple bread and butter and the more elaborate mince pies or doughnuts. Those were the days before the adulteration of maple sugar. In these latter days a pound of genuine maple sugar, or a gallon of genuine maple syrup, will make ten times the amount of the marketable product as mixed with ordinary cane sugar. It is not uncommon now to see "new maple sugar" plucked at the corner grocery in mid-winter, long before a drop of sap has flowed from the trees. How good newly made hot maple sugar used to taste when I was a boy! I have eaten maple sugar many times since, but have never seen any that compared with that I made myself, but I presume that this is partially owing to the keenness of boys' appetites when laboring in the fresh air of the wood lands.

Water applied to a tract of blackberries that are early mulched will certainly be helpful and cannot do any injury, but it might be more profitable to apply a heavier mulch of straw or any similar material, than to spend labor in watering. I know of no book on irrigation in a small way. The fact is that the people of the East and Middle States know practically nothing of irrigation. This in reply to Mr. Ritterhouse.

It is a disputed question as to whether crude petroleum 20 per cent. mixed with water is the best application to fruit trees for San Jose scale, or whether white wash made of lime, salt and sulphur is the best. The latter remedy is that used in California, and is a good remedy if not washed from the trees by rains. The heavy storms wash off white wash, and then another application must be given. This white wash is a safer application than kerosene, but both should be applied in the spring before buds start to grow. The kerosene is thrown from one nozzle and the water from another, both by the same machine.

C. J. Ocker asks why his seven varieties of grape vines planted several years ago do not ripen their fruit. Moore's Early is the only one that ripens the grapes. The vines of the other varieties are full of fruit, but the fruit does not mature except here and there a scattering berry. The trouble seems to be that the varieties are too late ripening for this locality. I would think that almost any variety would ripen in the long season of Missouri, yet there are varieties that may not ripen even in that Southern state. In New York state we have to select early ripening varieties such as Concord, Delaware, Worden, Niagara, Diamond, etc., discarding such varieties as Catawba, Isabella, yet these last named will ripen in the lake districts where nearness to bodies of water lengthens the seasons.

Do not forget that the suckers growing among red raspberry plants should be treated as weeds, and kept cut off with a sharp hoe as fast as they peep above the soil. Do not allow too many canes to grow in a stool, and head these remaining canes back about one-third. If there are too many canes in a stool cut out a portion of them now. In this manner you will get as many or more quarts of fruit, and the size of the berry is largely increased. Be careful not to cultivate too deeply among these roots if they run near the surface.

It has been thought that Ben Davis apple does not succeed so well in New York state as it does in Missouri and elsewhere, but at the recent exhibition at Buffalo, N. Y., where Ben Davis from every part of the country was on exhibition, the specimens from New York state exceeded those of any other state in size, beauty and quality.

There is much fascination in growing fine pears. Pear growing is more of a novelty than apple growing. You may see one-hundred apple where you see one pear orchard. The pear is a beautiful fruit and a fruit of rare excellence. Pear trees require different treatment from apple trees in many respects. Indeed every class of fruit demands peculiar attention. If I should be compelled to confine myself to one variety of pear I should choose the Bosc.

Do not be afraid of bees in your orchards and berryfields. I should be glad to have a bee keeper locate in the neighborhood of my fruit farm. I would cheerfully allow his bees to forage among my fruits. It is possible they might do a little damage but I am confident that the benefit would largely overbalance any injury they might do.

Rumors and scandals are easily started and easily spread abroad, but they are difficult to stifle or to counteract. For instance the report has been circulated that artificial comb honey is manufactured and comb filled with glucose. This scandalous report has been widely circulated and copied by the press of this country, and the result is that the demand for sure comb honey, and the consumption of it, is greatly restricted so that the bee interests are seriously crippled. We are notified on good authority that there is no artificial comb honey, and that a person buying comb honey is sure of getting the genuine product. Let other papers please copy this brief note, calling attention to the injury that is being done to bee keepers.

O. S. Brumbaugh of Washington state asks for the names of early bearing and short lived apple trees, since he desires to plant closely in the orchard, intending eventually to cut them out and make room for longer lived trees. In reply I will say that in New York state apple trees of all kinds are long lived, therefore we could hardly submit a list of short lived apple trees. There are varieties that grow much more rapidly than others, as do the Spy, Baldwin, and Greening, whereas others are slower growers, like King, Yellow Transparent and Swaar. He does not state whether early or winter varieties are desired. Then again it is almost impossible for a man in New York state to advise a man in the state of Washington what to plant there. His best course is to consult apple growers in his vicinity and learn of them what varieties to plant.

You who carry a gun will please remember that whenever you shoot a bird the chances are that you are protecting the lives of hundreds of thousands of insects that this bird would have destroyed had its life been preserved.

Three million peach trees are to be set out this spring in the South.



If your husband treat you harshly, selfishly or unkindly the chances are that his mother did not bring him up properly. She probably humored your husband when he was a boy, and encouraged him to find fault and make himself generally disagreeable about the place. Teach your boys to be respectful to their sisters, and to respect girls generally, and treat them with kindness. Instruct your boy in being helpful about the house. Have him bring up the coal and carry in the wood, carry water on wash day, help hang out the clothes, help clean house, whip the carpets, etc. Get him interested in painting and papering the house. Teach him to clean his feet when he enters the house. I have known boys to tramp all over the carpets with muddy feet. Teach him to be tidy in his own room, to put his clothes away in good order, and to have everything arranged systematically. How can you expect a boy to become a good husband, if his training in early life has been neglected. Many boys are spoiled by being excessively humored. Such boys are accustomed to have their own way about almost everything, and they soon learn to expect that other members of the household will yield in their favor. A boy or any person to develop character should do some act of kindness to some person or some thing every day—Editor G. F. G.

A Woman's Success in Fruit Growing.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by Mrs. A. H. Chitty.

This is the most remarkable experience that I have ever received in over twenty years' experience as editor. I trust this letter will be helpful and encouraging to those who are struggling for sustenance.

My mother was a rich woman who lost her property about the time her six daughters arrived at womanhood. My husband was an invalid. I began fruit growing with a capital consisting of \$2.60, a lot 200 feet by 50 feet wide, with 25 feet off for a house, and 16 feet to the rear for a barn, I came to Missouri in April, 1895. I paid \$2.00 out of my capital to get my trunk from the depot, then I paid 50 cents for having my lot plowed, 5 cents for a loaf of bread and 5 cents for eight eggs. Then I was left alone among strangers penniless. But I said to myself God will not let me suffer for food or friends, but I must do something without delay. I love nature and this is why I went out into the open country to solve the problem how to make an honest living. I had not gone a mile when I stopped at a farm where I saw a field of mustard. I proposed buying the crop for market, and was surprised to hear the owner say the mustard was a nuisance to her. and

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she would be glad if I could take it all away without charge. I borrowed a basket of the lady, put down my pride and gathered a basket of the beautiful greens. I went home, tied the green mustard into nice bouquets and sold the same for 10 cents each or three bunches for 25c. That basket of mustard and less than one-half day's work netted me \$1. For half that money I bought one peck of seed potatoes for 25 cents, one package each of beets, radishes, and lettuce seed, had 50 cents left. The next morning I was up at 4 o'clock and filled two baskets with the mustard, which I sold for \$2. My neighbors were watching me to see how I was getting along, knowing that I began with nothing. One neighbor came to see and brought some beets for me to plant. Another looked up her garden seeds and presented me with some. Another offered to lease me her garden on shares for growing ginseng, giving me one-half of all I sold. From the first of my attempt to making a living I have prospered, and I never think of those dear old neighbors without asking God to bless them. They have since moved far away. The first year I was ignorant of the laws in regard to stock running at large, and sometimes the cows would come into my garden. I went to my neighbor and told him to keep his cows at home, he would simply give me an astonished look and laugh.

My income in June was \$5 per week from my garden, and my neighbor's garden that I worked on shares. From the 10th of May until the 10th of June I cooked for a hotel, receiving \$3 per week and board, this being the highest price paid here. That made my income \$8 per week and board. You may not see how I can do all this work. This is the way I managed: I have all my life been an early riser. Having my vegetables engaged before hand by the consumer I would take them to market before the time arrived for breakfast at the Hotel. All this time I was planning to get my lot planted to fruit trees and plants. In the fall I had five bushels of potatoes, nineteen pumpkins, twelve large cabbages and some canned fruit. I had flour, sugar, coffee, and wood enough for the coming winter, and one dozen Rose Comb Leghorn hens, one cow, and two hogs to make my meat. During the month of September I went to work in a nursery where they grew strawberries, blackberries and grape vines, apple, pear, plum and other fruit trees. I did their large family washing and received in payment six Downing gooseberry plants, from which in 1901 I shipped one crate which netted me \$1.25, and canned two quarts of these berries. Then I washed for this family another week, and received in payment twelve rhubarb roots which have since made me more dollars each year than I paid for the plants. Then I cleaned house two days, and received in payment a second-hand cook stove. Thus ended the first year's experiment of a lone woman making her way bravely in this hard world.

In the spring of 1896, one of my neighbors was called away by the illness of their son, and they left me in charge of their home while they were absent. They owned an acre of garden, all in good condition and ready for planting, and they gave me half of all I could make out of it. I sold \$50 worth of produce from that little garden in one year. I raised turnips, beans, beets and cabbage enough to pay for another heifer, and still had enough left to supply both families with these items all winter. All this was done without a horse. When the garden truck was off from the garden I sowed cow peas for hay, which I traded for a horse. The next year I rented a farm. I now own the farm and have a number of fine cows, a fine horse, beside 9 acres of berries and five acres of potatoes and apples; though we had a serious drought this year I raised feed enough to carry my stock over in fine condition.

Let no reader think for a moment that my achievements were secured without hard work. No indeed. I have worked in the house and out of the house early and late. But God being willing I will take things easier this coming year, 1902, since I am now able to employ a man to help cultivate the crops. I do not write this letter to boast about what I have accomplished, but for the purpose of encouraging and helping other people who were situated as I was alone, and apparently helpless. I may some time give my experience in fruit culture, and will tell how I came to be a subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower, which has been my best friend throughout my experience.

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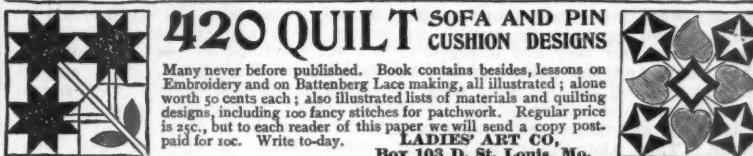
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Spring Housework.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by E. D. Parker.

Editor Green's Fruit Grower:

The temptation is for the housekeeper to be in haste to begin house-cleaning, but nothing is gained by commencing this work too early. But meanwhile you may be getting ready for general housecleaning. Clothes presses, boxes, bags may be emptied and contents looked over and arranged in order. It is useless to accumulate a great quantity of clothes and miscellaneous articles that encumber the house. There are countless articles like broken chairs, partly worn couches, or out-of-date bedsteads, that the housekeeper hardly knows how to dispose of, and the economical house-wife generally occupies much room in storing these useless articles. The same may be said of cast-off clothing, shoes, etc. My advice is that you give these articles away to some deserving person who can make use of them as the prospect is they will never be of any use to you. Where heavy dresses are to be laid aside to make over, rip them carefully apart, brush the cloth well, and if soiled sponge with strong borax water, or benzine, either of which will prevent moths from attacking the cloth as well as cleaning it. Then press the separate pieces and roll tightly over a thin board. In this way they will take but little room. Attractive laundry bags, waste baskets, etc., can be made at small expense at this season of leisure. Window seats can be made of large wooden boxes padded and covered with some washable material. In addition to furnishing seats the boxes will be found convenient for storing items that are used about the house.

A Young Housewife's Request.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower.

While reading this request from a young housekeeper I could imagine just how she looked when she found one of her bridal presents—a French china cup and saucer broken which belonged to her china tea-set. No doubt there were tears in her eyes, for such things trouble us when young, but we learn to be more philosophical as we grow older. Of course I will tell you of the cement to mend china. It is excellent. It is made by mixing plaster-paris and a strong solution of gum-arabic together until it forms a thick paste. Unite the broken edges with a small brush putting enough cement to hold them firmly. Set away to dry. When it is necessary to wash them do not use soap but make a warm suds of rain water and gold-dust washing powder and handle very gently, rinse in clear, warm water and wipe dry on a soft old linen cloth and polish with tissue paper. They will serve you for years. I have used pieces for years thus mended.

S. J. H.

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The Thanksgiving Prune.

Prof. L. H. Bailey of Cornell University says that this prune is certainly the longest-keeping which he has ever seen. The weak point with most varieties of plums is that they will not keep, but decay quickly. Marketmen are discouraged in handling plums that rot quickly, hence the great advantage of Thanksgiving Prunes, which will keep for weeks in baskets as usually shipped and marketed. The editor of Green's Fruit Grower has eaten these prunes in January, and has kept them lying on his desk for two weeks in January, when he ate the rest of them, and there was no sign of rotting. The fact is, that Thanksgiving Prunes can be placed on shelves in an ordinary house, where they will remain without rotting until they are thoroughly evaporated like the dried prune of commerce; but this evaporation goes on slowly, therefore for many weeks the prune will be found juicy and delicious to eat. The quality of this prune is superior to most varieties, being sweet and rich. It is the large amount of sugar in this variety that preserves it so long. Thanksgiving Prunes ripen about the first week in October at Rochester, N. Y. It has been named Thanksgiving Prune owing to the fact that N. B. Adams had the prunes in his house on Thanksgiving day in good eating condition. You will notice that this is one of the most remarkable prunes ever introduced. It has been thoroughly tested.

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The freshly turned clover sod has been the favorite field for producing fine corn and other crops of grain, and I will add that it is an excellent field for planting fruits. The same conditions that cause the special plowed clover sod to produce good crops of grain will cause various other kinds of fruit to flourish on the same land. The fact is that the roots of clover force their way deeply into the soil, and when they decay they not only render the soil fertile by the fertility the roots contain, but they add nitrogen in other ways, and the holes left in the soil and sub soil by the roots help to drain the soil and encourage the air to enter freely, and the clover stubble adds humus. Thus the clover field when plowed is always in fine tilth, loose and crumpling, and well calculated to produce good crops of almost anything suitable to that locality.

T. T. Allen of Massachusetts writes to us that he is confident that crows are exceedingly injurious to farmers, injuring birds of all sizes from the humming bird to the chickens and ducks. He says he could write a book telling about the mischievous crows doing more injury than all other pests put together. It is the opinion of Green's Fruit Grower that crows are more helpful than injurious, and as to birds in general, farmers and fruit growers should consider them friends instead of foes, for if all the birds were destroyed it would not be ten years before the human race would die of starvation, since the insect pests would destroy every green thing.

C. J. Tyson writes Green's Fruit Grower asking information regarding the 17-year locust. This locust is expected to appear this year in only a very small portion of this country, and even where it is expected it does not appear on cultivated ground, since cultivation destroys the insect. Timber land, or an orchard near wood lots are liable to be infested where the locusts are expected. Send to the United States Agriculture Department, Washington, D. C., for bulletin telling all about locusts. The injury is done by the puncture of the insect in laying its eggs, and not in the destruction of the leaf or the limb by consuming it. The locust as it appeared 17 years ago cannot be remembered as doing any particular damage at that time. My opinion is that not much injury is to be apprehended even where the locust is booked to appear.

Western Virginia has in the past few years developed into a wonderful country for apple growers. There are many orchards there ranging from 10 to 100 acres. Hancock county, Va., has shipped 300,000 bushels of superior apples in one season. One orchardist sold 10,000 barrels from his orchard. Apple growers there have studied the situation and have become experts in apple growing, being fully alive to the interest of spraying, pruning, cultivating and in the selection of varieties best adapted to that peculiar locality. The Albemarle pipin, grown in New York state as the Newton pipin, succeeds admirably in Virginia. This apple brings the highest price in European markets, but it does not succeed generally throughout the country. Willow Twig is another capital variety grown throughout Virginia.

Remember that the earliest and latest plums bring the highest prices. Thanksgiving Prune ripens October 1st, and can be marketed much later as it is such a wonderful keeper, keeping almost like apples without rotting.

A subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower asks whether he shall plant strawberries to be cultivated both ways same as corn, setting each plant 3 1-2 feet apart each way. In reply I will say, that if the plot of land is nearly square this would be a desirable way of planting strawberries, since much labor would be saved in hand cultivating, it mostly being done by a horse cultivator. Later in the season the plants may be allowed to form matted rows, allowing the cultivator to go one way. I do not plant strawberries in this way, but plant them in rows 3 1-2 feet apart, and 18 inches in the row so that if a drought or bugs destroy some plants it will not leave wide gaps in the row.

York Imperial apple is gaining in popularity with planters in various parts of the country. While not of the highest quality it is nearly as good as Baldwin.

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It is not an uncommon thing for a vineyard in New York state to yield as large profits as a 100-acre farm devoted to corn, potatoes, wheat, oats, and other farm crops.

The Chautauqua, N. Y., grape belt is about fifty miles long and borders on Lake Erie. In going to this grape district by cars from Buffalo, you are continually rising, and when you reach the grape belt you near the summit of the highest territory in that part of New York state. The land is rolling, and the vineyards are located mostly on sloping hill sides. The land is gravelly loam, such as would be selected for corn or wheat. Many of the vineyards there receive the highest cultivation, while others are seemingly neglected. The same as with all kinds of farming, there are good grape cultivators and poor cultivators. The proximity of a large body of water prevents late spring frosts and those early fall frosts which are so disastrous to grape growers, hence grapes have every opportunity to fully develop in the fall. The varieties grown are largely Concord, but there are many vineyards of Niagara, and a few of Worden, Brighton, Delaware and some of the Roger seedlings are planted, but they are started more or less as an experiment. Worden is a beautiful and valuable grape and would be equal to Concord were it not for the fact that it has a tender skin, and the berries are liable to crack. It does not cling to the stem so firmly as Concord. Campbell's Early grape has received favor from grape growers in this locality, not simply because it is early, but for the reason that it is large and very productive. Campbell colors much earlier than Concord, but it does not reach its highest state of perfection until about the time the Concords are ready for market. Campbell is much larger in berry and often much larger in cluster than Concord. In many other respects it resembles Concord.

Too much praise cannot be given to the Anjou pear, formerly known as the Beurre de Anjou. This variety was a particular pet of the late Marshall P. Wilder, who imported it from France many years ago. When well grown it is of the largest size and finest quality. It ripens late in the fall, but if properly kept in a cool place it may be easily kept until December and January. The Anjou succeeds as a dwarf or standard, and no one can make a mistake in planting this beautiful and superior pear.

How far apart should we plant our trees in the orchard is a question Green's Fruit Grower is often asked. In reply I will say that all kinds of fruit trees can be planted quite closely in the orchard if desired. It will cost but little more to cultivate these trees planted closely together than if they were planted twice as far apart. These closely planted trees will bear well for a number of years, but in time the branches will interlock unless severely pruned. By cutting back the tops each year we can dwarf the trees so that they will remain closely planted without injury, with good results. But after the branches touch each other and seem to shade the ground too much, every other row in the orchard should be cut out in order to give those remaining a better opportunity to grow. In my opinion the crops of fruit secured during the early years of growth will more than pay the expense of trees and growing of the same though they have to be removed later.

Since ruralists are deprived of some of the attractions of village life, they should take pains to surround themselves with all the attraction of rural life that is possible. One of the great attractions of farm life is the abundance of fresh fruits, particularly strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, grapes, currants, etc. Many rural people do not appreciate this fact and fail to plant these small fruits in their gardens or fields. These people make a great mistake. Suppose such a farmer should undertake to keep summer boarders from the city, and had not strawberries or other small fruits, but a neighbor who also had boarders from the city had an abundance of all these delicious berries, etc., can you not see that the best boarders would go to the house of the man who was well supplied with all kinds of small fruits? Your wife and children cannot abandon you and your home because you do not have grape vines and blackberries and such fruits upon your place, but you may

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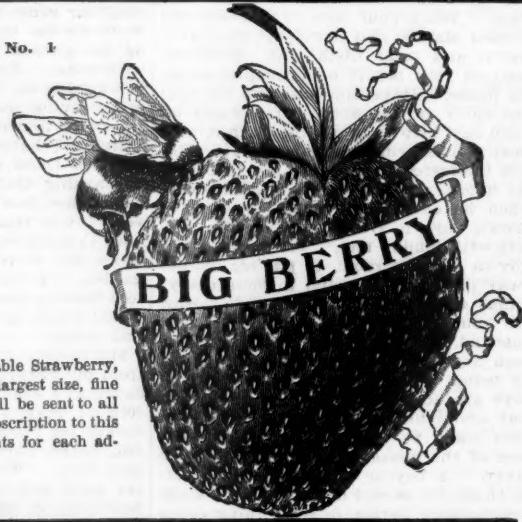
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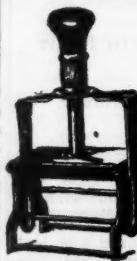
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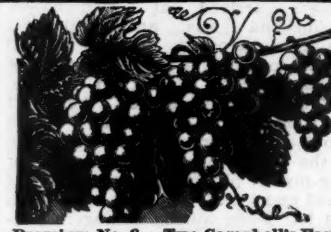
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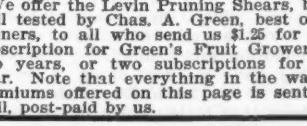
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test assured you can make their lives far more enjoyable by surrounding your home with these delicacies and delights. Such fruits are a continual delight at all seasons upon the farm. When they are being planted you indulge in pleasant anticipation and you watch their growth daily with pride. Even during the winter months when you glance out of your window and see the rows of plants you are reminded that the coming season they will give you an abundance of fine fruit. When the spring opens you watch for the first blossoms. You have the habit of wandering about in the direction of your small fruit gardens. It is attractive not only to yourself, but to other members of your family. When the fruit begins to ripen the fragrance of it is wafted to you by the summer winds. You pick them with pleasure in the early morning or in the cool evening. I can never forget the words of Washington Irving, a bachelor, who visited a happy home of a newly wedded pair. As he entered the house the happy husband alone met him, the wife being temporarily absent. In a few minutes the wife appeared, bearing in each hand a basket of delicious strawberries which were to grace the evening meal. It requires the descriptive powers of Irving to properly describe this scene of the happy, blooming bride and her happy home.

How to keep the girls on the farm is not so often discussed as how to keep the boys there. I know of a large and attractive family embracing five or six daughters. The girls set out strawberries simply to supply the home table, without a thought of marketing the fruit. But when the strawberries ripened they were astonished to find that there were many times more fruit than they could consume, and they started out to sell the surplus strawberries to their neighbors. The venture was so profitable they increased their plantation, and made a nice profit each year by selling strawberries. What hungry man or woman could resist such an attractive salesman as a fair young country lass presenting at the door such enticing fruits as strawberries? In other countries women lead more of an outdoor life than in this country, but American girls are each year turning more of their attention to outdoor pursuits, and I see no reason why they should not engage in fruit growing. Many women have engaged in the poultry business with success. If a country girl is brought up on a farm barren of beautiful surroundings, or if the table is supplied simply with pork, beans and potatoes, and she looks forward to a life of drudgery when she is married, you cannot expect her to be in love with rural life, and cannot expect to keep her on the farm. There should be music in the house, good reading upon the table, and a pleasant outlook from the windows of the room.

Why bother with flowers on the farm? They cost some labor and consume considerable time and what do they amount to? In reply I will say that flowers build up character and influence our lives in many ways. We must have beautiful things, and must see beautiful things every day in order to develop into perfect manhood and womanhood. We must have something to love, something to care for in order to develop. When you pick a bouquet of flowers covered with morning dew you are not wasting your time, you are cultivating a taste for the beautiful. Take the beautiful out of our lives and what have you left? Therefore, kind reader, when your wife or daughter talks about locating the flower bed next summer do not frown but give encouragement. Possibly you yourself may need such influences as flowers yield.

In reply to E. W. Rice I will say that standard pear trees should be planted from 18 to 25 feet apart ordinarily. They do not occupy nearly as much room as apple trees, since they grow more upright unless spreading. Simply keep the ground as rich as it would be necessary to grow crops of corn or wheat. I do not advise excessive manuring of either barnyard or commercial fertilizer. I should use commercial fertilizers if I could not get enough of barnyard manure to suitably enrich the ground. His Clapp's Favorite pear tree was attacked with dry rot from the ground up, but I cannot tell him what caused this unless it was the blight. No, I would not recommend nitrate of soda in a pear orchard, simply keep the ground in good heart.

How deep to plant trees is an important question that is always in dispute. In fact in some soils and locations trees

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may be planted deep and thrive well, while in other locations to plant deep would be fatal. On the deep rich prairie soils of the great West, Southwest and Northwest, trees may be set out much deeper than they grow naturally and thrive, for the soil there is porous and the surface soil is very deep. But where the surface soil is shallow and sub-soil is hard clay, to plant a tree deep would die a lingering death. On light sandy soils trees may be planted deeper than on heavy clay soils. The depth at which one should set out strawberries or raspberries, is often more important than the depth for planting trees. If these more delicate plants are set too deep they will surely perish, and if not set deep enough they will dry out and die. It is difficult to specify exactly what depth to plant either trees or plants, but as the average rule I will say, that the roots of trees should be covered with at least six inches of soil and that strawberries and black raspberry tips should not be set deeper than three to four inches. Never cover the crown of the strawberry plants where the leaves appear. The leaves should be about even with the surface of the ground. In planting be careful about packing the earth firmly about the roots, but over the surface leave the soil perfectly loose.

Distribution is what is needed in fruit growing. A wide distribution is being secured each year. If the fruits, etc., of the Atlantic and Pacific coasts could be widely distributed, there would not be half enough to supply the demand. As distribution increases it is astonishing how the consumption of fruits increase. This country is marketing now hundreds of thousands of bushels of peaches and apples and other fruits, where in former years we grew only hundreds of bushels, and the same is true of small fruits, grapes, strawberries, raspberries, etc.

What are dwarf trees, we are asked? How do dwarf trees differ from other trees? It is possible to make dwarfs of any tree by cutting back its top severely each season, but strictly speaking the dwarf pear tree is a tree budded or grafted on quince roots. Therefore all dwarf pear trees are pear above the ground and quince below the ground. The quince root retards the growth of the tree so that it does not reach as large a size as it would on the pear root, but it will grow too large on the quince unless headed back severely every year.

Mr. C. P. Scott asks about sowing clover seed and about curing the clover hay for poultry. Our reply is that we

sow clover seed at Rochester, N. Y., in March or April, the earlier the better. We often sow clover seed when the ground is frozen so that we can walk over it easily. After the frost gets out of the ground it is some time before the ground settles so that we can sow clover seed, and then it is often too late. When the seed is sown on frozen ground it falls into the earth and is covered better than when sown after the frost is out. We sow 10 to 12 quarts of the best and cleanest clover seed we can get; we sow it broadcast with a machine made after the style of a wheelbarrow, but it can be sown by hand, if such a machine cannot be secured. We consider money invested in clover seed as good for the farm as money invested in manure. Clover hay should be cut soon after it blossoms, and should not be allowed to become too dry before cocking it up in piles. Clover hay should cure in the cocks rather than as it lies upon the ground, after being cut. Much of the value of clover hay depends upon its being properly cured, as it should remain of a green color no matter what it is fed to.

If our patience were only equal to our impatience, how much easier life would be!—Annan Dale.

Economy in the Kitchen.

There are so many ways in which carelessness will result in loss that a housekeeper should make a careful study of her work in the kitchen. If the management is left entirely to hired help, there are sure to be many small leaks which will amount to considerable in the aggregate.

Lights are left burning when not in use. Soap is left in the dish water to melt. Vinegar is put in tin vessels, causing them to rust, and making the vinegar unfit for use. Fruit is left to decay instead of sorting it over and keeping it in a cool place or using it. Tea and coffee are kept in paper sacks, or in tin cans that do not have close fitting lids, and they lose their strength.

Water in which meat has been boiled is often thrown out. A better plan would be to let stand until it is cold, skim the grease off and use the broth for soup. The grease may be clarified and is a very good substitute for lard or butter in cooking.

Brooms are expensive articles lately and we wish them to last as long as possible. When you are buying a broom, select one that has a tinge of green about it, for it shows that the corn was cut when it was young and pliant. Make it a rule that whoever uses the broom shall hang it up as soon as the sweeping is done, and it will keep its shape much longer than if it is thrown behind the door until it is wanted again. The springs sold for that purpose are good, and can be fastened to the door frame or any other convenient place; or a screw eye may be screwed into the top of the handle and the broom hung up on a nail or hook when not in use. After the weekly sweeping is done prepare a suds by dissolving gold dust washing powder, dip the broom up and down in it until the straw is clean, rinse in clear water and hang it up to dry. This will brighten the straw and make it last much longer. A new broom should never be used to scrub with. This advice has been given so often that it seems useless to repeat it, yet we see it done every day and housewives wonder why their brooms wear out so soon.

E. J. C.

Green's Fruit Grower can secure for its readers reduced rates on most newspapers and magazines. Write us for rates on the periodicals you wish to take.



Many readers of Green's Fruit Grower will soon be winding their way on their wheels over bicycle paths. The bicycle promotes communication through the rural district and suitable paths for wheels should be encouraged. The above illustration represents an attractive bicycle path, engraved by Green's Fruit Grower from Conkey's Home Journal.

Easily made, light and delicious, is a peach pudding made as follows: Canned fruit at sixteen or eighteen cents per quart, if re-cooked until tender and made sweeter if necessary, answers every purpose. Remove the peaches from the syrup while hot, mash and press through a coarse sieve. Beat the whites of six eggs (first adding a pinch of salt until stiff; now add gradually to them six even tablespoonsfuls of fine granulated sugar (beware of powdered sugar), and beat as for a meringue. Mix this thoroughly with the cold peaches; turn into a buttered dish, and brown on top in a quick oven. Serve cold with soft custard for sauce made from the egg yolks or reserve these for other use, and substitute wine sauce or any preferred. Peaches recooked in this way are very good with tapioca, but should not then be mashed.

There are a very few women who find day naps impossible, but never one have I seen who could not at least lie down for a short time with closed eyes and a quiet body. It is the next best thing to sleeping, particularly if all unpleasant thoughts are banished. A couch is a necessary part of the furnishings of

every room save, possibly, the dining-room. One ought even to be provided for the kitchen, where the servant's strength might be saved without any falling off in the family comfort. It will not be supplied in more than a few homes, of course, because there is a mistaken impression in the minds of many women that every minute of an employee's time belongs to the one who hires her, and if it is not spent in work the latter is being cheated. It would never occur to the mistress that more can be accomplished in one hour when the body is fresh than in two when the muscles are aching with fatigue.

Variety in salads is wide. One good cook sometimes boils the potatoes she is to use for salad in soup stock. A different flavor that is very pleasant for a change is given the vegetables by this means. Rubbing the outside of the salad dish with a clove of garlic is one little salad wrinkle which proves satisfactory in giving just a suspicion of garlic flavor to the salad.

Some people forgive by forgetting, but the true way is to forget by forgiving.—Ram's Horn.

Management of the Hair.

Hair oils of every kind and all preparations for the hair are unnecessary so long as the scalp is in a healthy condition. Brush the hair daily with a stiff brush, and if the hair has enough natural oil to permit, wash it once in two weeks with clear cold water. A little white castile soap may be used occasionally, but if it is mixed with 90 per cent. alcohol it will be less injurious to the head than when it is applied alone with water.

The falling out of the hair is caused by fever or a severe derangement of the health. It is checked by improvement in the health and by applying local remedies. An excellent lotion for the scalp is made of two drachms of tincture of cantharides, six drachms of rosemary and eleven ounces of elderflower water. Apply a little once or twice a day after brushing the scalp briskly with a stiff hair brush until it is in a glow. When the hair is short it is an excellent plan to dip the head in cold water night and morning, and, after thoroughly drying the hair, brush it quickly and well for five minutes.

An excellent hair wash, when a hair wash is needed, consists of seven ounces of rosewater, one ounce of aromatic spirits of ammonia, one and a half drachms of tincture of cantharides and half an ounce of glycerine. Shake and mix the mixture well in a bottle and apply it to the scalp with an old toothbrush.—Tribune.

The royal house of England's retinue of servants makes a staff which would appal an American housekeeper. The salaries aggregate \$660,000 a year. Appended is a list of some of the functionaries, and what the cost of their services: Waxfitter, who arranges the candles, \$800 a year; a first and second lamplighter, \$500 each per year; five table deckers, who set the royal table, \$1,460; chief butler, \$2,500 a year; chef, \$3,500 a year; four master cooks, each \$1,000 a year; clerk of the kitchen, \$1,500 a year; confectioners, \$1,500 and \$1,200 each; workers in the royal laundry, aggregate wages, \$10,000 a year. Besides the amount that is paid for household labor, the tradespeople who supply the estates receive on an average \$860,000 a year.

A fad is a tag on a fool.

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Green's Offer of Apple, Pear, Peach, Plum, Cherry Trees, Etc., Etc.

It is difficult for us to tell at this date what varieties of trees we shall have in surplus, but it looks as though we would have a surplus of Ben Davis, Baldwin, and York Imperial apple trees, German prune, Damson plum, Duchess, Lawrence, Seckel, and Anjou dwarf pear. In standard pear trees it looks as though we might have a surplus in Anjou, Clapp's Favorite, Lawrence, Howell, Sheldon. We have a good supply of trees in small size, very nicely rooted, bright shapely trees, that we can sell at low prices. We have in these small sizes a long list of varieties of apple trees, dwarf pear trees, standard pear, and cherry trees.

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While the prices in our catalogue are very low, and in most instances as low as we are able to offer, there are some items that we appear to hold in surplus and which we can make lower prices on, therefore, please favor us with your list of varieties with the number of each and allow us to make pen prices. We will try to make prices that will attract your order.

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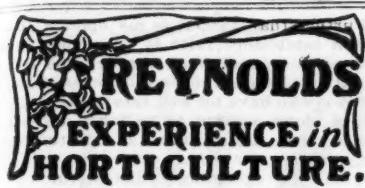
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HORTICULTURAL PLANTING.

April is the month preferred for horticultural planting. Agricultural planting is largely deferred until May or June, when corn, potatoes, beans, etc., are put in the ground by our farmers, but April is the month for planting nearly every species of fruits. We call it transplanting because fruit bearing plants or trees are started from their seeds in the nursery and the young trees or plants are transplanted into the orchard or garden where they are to bear fruit. My ideal of a farm home is one in which every year shows some progress, some change, some little addition to the number of trees, shrubs, vines or plants; improvement rather than deterioration. There should be no neglect of that which has been planted; everything should receive the best of culture and all the fertilizing that is needed, but it gives zest to the work, imparts enthusiasm to have something new growing, to test new varieties or those that you have never grown. As I recall my earlier years upon the farm, no memories are pleasanter than those of visits to certain trees in the orchards on which grew delicious apples. Even seventy years ago, in Dutchess county, when there were but few grafted trees in our side-hill orchards, we found among seedling trees a few that bore quite palatable apples and we would pay daily visits to those trees, although we were obliged to climb pretty difficult hills, and take our first lessons in climbing trees. When we left our birthplace and moved to Western New York there were still two orchards on father's farm and our acquaintance with grafted fruit was greatly extended and we came to be familiar with such excellent varieties as, Yellow Harvest Sweet Bough, Summer Rose, Early Joe, Golden Sweet, Jersey Sweet, Gravenstein, Fall Pippin and Fameuse. These apples ripen in summer and autumn upon their trees although the latter two will extend through November. Other good apples that are picked before they are ripe and may be eaten at different periods through the winter are: Westfield Seekno-further, Red Canada, King of Tompkins County, Rhode Island Greening, Peck's Pleasant, Northern Spy, Esopus Spitzenburg, Shaar, Yellow Bellflower, Talman's Sweet, Baldwin and Roxbury Russet. If I were to plant apple trees now, for family use, I would add to the above autumn list, Red Bletigheimer, and to the winter list; Jonathan, Mother, McIntosh Red, and Sutton Beauty. So many varieties are not really necessary to keep up a good succession through the winter, but in a large family there are a great variety of tastes and I found that more fruit would be consumed if there were a number of varieties from which to select.

In other species of fruit there are varieties highly relished in the family some of which seldom find their way to the market place. The following lists are pretty well adapted both for market and the family: Pears—Beurre Giffard, Tyson, Brandywine, Clapp's Favorite, for summer; Bartlett, Bosc, Flemish Beauty, Angouleme, Louise Bonne, Sheldon, Seckel, for autumn; Anjou, Lawrence, Winter Nellis, Josephine de Malines, for winter. Peaches—Early Rivers, Mountain Rose, Crawford's Early, Old Mixon Free, Foster, Crawford's Late, Elberta, Red Cheek Melocoton, Crosby, Champion and Salway. Plums—Bradshaw, Reine Claude of Bavay, Felleberg (prune) German Prune, Grand Duke, Jefferson, Pond's Seedling, Washington and of Japanese varieties. Abundance, Burbank, Wickson, Red June, Ogon, Satsuma, Cherries—Black Eagle, Black Tartarian, Montreuse de Mezel (immense), Napoleon, Tradescant's Black, Windsor, Yellow Spanish, Early Richmond, Montmorency Ordinaire. Quinces—Orange and Rea's Mammoth. Grapes—Warden, Concord, Delaware and Niagara are among the most reliable natives; Brighton, Barry, Herkert, Merrimack Mills, Wilder, Agawam, Gaertner, Lindley and Salem are good and pretty reliable varieties of those with mixture of foreign blood.

SMALL FRUITS.

Currants—Red Cross, Fay's Prolific, President Wilder are among the largest and most highly esteemed. Blackberries—Agawam, Snyder, Minnewaska, Erie, Lawton are among the best. Red raspberries—Loudon, Marlboro, and Cuthbert give good satisfaction. Black caps—Eureka, Kansas and Gregg are valuable. Strawberries—Corsican, Michel's Early, Brandywine, Bubach, Marshall, William

Belt are favorites, generally, when tried. Whether planting large, commercial orchards or only a few trees and plants to sort up, it pay to do the work well, all through. Plow deep, work the soil fine with improved harrows and plant correctly, taking especial pains to press the soil firmly upon the roots. If fertilizer is needed, apply upon the surface where it may be dissolved by the rains and reach the feeding roots in proper condition for appropriation. Then do not allow any vegetation, whether weeds, grass, grain or vegetables to grow above or near the roots to rob them of plant food, but keep the soil frequently stirred throughout the growing season to conserve the moisture. In orchard planting it may be permissible to grow hoe crops—corn, potatoes or beans, provided they are not allowed to approach the fruit to prevent free culture or to draw upon its supply of plant food. More and better fruit is the crying need of the tillers of the soil.—P. C. Reynolds.

How Would You Like to be a Tree?



"How do you like being an eagle?" she said.

"I'd rather be a tree rooted to the ground in the midst of a dense forest than all the eagles in the world," said I.

"Very well," said she. "It shall be so. Good night."

"In the morning I was a tree—and if there is anything worse than being a dog or an eagle it's being a tree," said the Poker. "I could hear processions going by with fine bands of music in the distance, but I couldn't stir a step to see them. Boys would come along and climb up into my branches and shake me nearly to pieces. Cows came and chewed up my leaves, and one day the wood-cutters came and were just about to cut me down when the Fairy appeared again and sent them away.

"They will be back again to-morrow," she said. "Do you wish to remain a tree?"

"No, no, no," I cried. "I'll be content to be anything you choose if you will save me from them."

"There," she said. "That's the point. If you will keep that promise you will finally be happy. If you will only look on the bright side of things, remembering the pleasant and forgetting the unpleasant, you will be happy. If you will be satisfied with what you are and have and not go about swelling up with envy whenever you see anyone or anything that has or can do things that you have not or cannot do, you will be happy in spite of yourself. Will you promise me this?"

"Indeed I will," I said.

"Even if I change you into so poor thing as a Poker?"

"Yes," said I.

"Very well," said she. "It shall be so. Good night!"—Roch. Dem. & Chronicle.

Bishop Scannell of the Omaha diocese deplores the tendency of the times which places women in business instead of keeping her in the household. He said in an address to young women the other day that the stringency in the domestic labor market was a direct result of the education of to-day, which is training girls to despise menial tasks. The natural result of such education would be a decline, physically and intellectually, in the race. Men, he said, whose place in business was being usurped by women, would have to become domestics to preserve the social equilibrium.

It is not the work, but the worry, that makes the world grow old. That numbers the years of its children Ere half their story is told; That weakens their faith in heaven And the wisdom of God's great plan. Ah! it's not the work, but the worry, That breaks the heart of a man.

—Selected.

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WOMEN FOR SALE.

Men do not marry at as early an age as they did in past years. Statistics have shown that 66 per cent. of the young men are unmarried, while 34 per cent. are married, and that the average age at which these young men marry is 25 years. The age of 25 years is certainly young enough for a man to marry. I was 31 years old when I married.

It may be natural for a young man to assume that all young ladies are angelic, but I can assure you that all are not angels. There are various kinds of young girls. As a class I have a high opinion of them, and think they will average better than the young men; but they inherit family traits, good and bad, the same as young men, and therefore, have many eccentricities and peculiarities that it is difficult and often impossible to eradicate. Some are by nature ladylike, trustful, affectionate, helpful, economical. Some are by nature vicious, extravagant, frivolous, vain, and selfish. Some excellent girls in many ways have disagreeable habits and manners. They are too forward, presuming and inconsiderate. There are many excellent girls who can never make good wives for men in moderate circumstances, owing to their extravagant habits.

It is my opinion that people inherit extravagant habits or economic habits, for I find that where the father and mother are economical, there is a tendency towards economy in their children. I know of no greater drawback for a young man than having an extravagant wife. I believe that a good wife should be considered a partner with her husband in business affairs, and should in some way be entitled to a share of the proceeds of the business. But an extravagant wife will ruin the prospects of almost any young business man. We have an illustration of such an instance in this city. An active and worthy young man, pursuing diligently his business, married an extravagant woman, bent upon living beyond her husband's means. She purchased articles right and left, without discrimination or judgment, and incurred liabilities for carriages, flowers and furbelows, until her husband was obliged to rebel. Then it was claimed she forged notes in order to raise more money to meet her extravagance, which led to a separation. When a separation like this occurs, the lives of husband and wife are in most cases ruined.

Most young women are adaptable to varied circumstances, but there are many who cannot adapt themselves to their surroundings. If they have been in the habit of having things in a certain way at home, they cannot submit to any change in their husband's home. If they have been brought up as Presbyterian, Methodist or Baptist, they cannot change to their husband's church. If they have become accustomed to a certain class of society, they cannot be satisfied with any other society, all of which is most unfortunate for the man who marries such a girl.

Then there is the dancing girl, who is carried away with dancing, and cares but little for other pastimes. What is the practical husband going to do with such a wife as this? This suggests the card playing girl, who desires no other pastime than going from house to house and remaining until the small hours of the morning, playing cards. Surely the busy husband, hard at work in his office all day, cannot stand such wear and tear, and probably would consider such time spent foolishly. Then there is the girl flirt. John G. Saxe once said that the "flirt was like a rose, from which each lover plucked a leaf, leaving but the thorn for the husband." I would not like to have my son marry a flirt. I should fear that she was a heartless woman. You would not expect that any tender hearted person would go about thrusting a spear into people, and thus tormenting them, causing them pain, but this is precisely what a flirt does with her acquaintances. She stabs them in the most sensitive and most vital part, the heart.

Further than this, it is my opinion that well established faith is an anchor that steadies an individual through the tempestuous voyage of life. I have noted that those who have no well established religious views are apt to be taken up with some side issue, such as spiritualism, hypnotism, or some other ism, which would be exceedingly distasteful to a life partner who had no respect for those things. The faith of most women is stronger and more permanent than that of men, and there are fewer unbelievers among women than among men.

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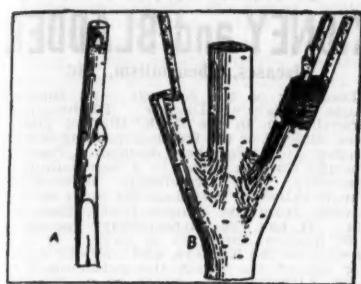
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THE SCION AND STOCK.

Every fruit grower should know how to bud and graft. Last summer I met a friend on the cars who told me about a marvelous variety of plum which was growing upon his place. He said this plum was not only remarkably beautiful, large and attractive in every way, but its quality was far superior to ordinary varieties, and the tree was remarkably productive. He said he could not find any one who could tell him the name of the variety. He sent me buds in August and I inserted them in the top of a young plum tree growing in my garden. I speak of this to indicate the advantage of knowing how to bud and graft. If you are successful in this respect you can fill your orchard with rare fruit that otherwise you might not be able to secure, and may discover some variety of remarkable value. I have on my fruit farm long rows containing hundreds of varieties of various kinds of fruits, samples for testing, the trees being planted closely in the row. If some of these trees prove to be of little value they can be dug out. These experiments are not expensive and are interesting and profitable. Cut is from American Agriculturist, re-engraved for Green's Fruit Grower.

Few people realize how hungry men and boys sometimes are for fruit. I have seen the time when I would give a dollar for a good pocketful of apples, or a small basket of grapes, when I was situated so they could not be easily secured. We are told of a boy who was driving sheep a long distance, who became very hungry, and on passing cherry trees planted by the roadside broke off small branches hurriedly and ate them ravenously. Passing that way later, he asked the farmer if he might pick some of his cherries. The farmer recognized him as the boy who had broken off his branches and so informed him, saying, "Don't steal any more or break off branches, but climb the tree and eat all you desire." The boy decided then if he ever became able he would plant fruit trees upon the road line, so that hungry people could satisfy their hunger. Later in life he became wealthy, and the road that borders or passes through his farms is lined with rows of apple and cherry trees. These rows of fruit trees upon the roadside measure in all eight miles. His experience is, that travelers on the road, while they make free with the fruit, as they are at liberty to do, consume but a fractional part. The balance of the fruit is gathered and sold at profitable prices in the market.

An interesting season for me on the farm in old times was during the spring freshets or floods that always occurred in March, when the snow disappeared along the water shed connecting with the Honeoye creek, which passed through our homestead farm. At this season the water would overflow the banks of the stream, flooding the low lands and forcing the muskrats out of their burrows and nests. I was a crack shot with my rifle, being able to drive a nail head or to cut off the head of a squirrel with ease, therefore during the spring season I spent my leisure hours wandering up and down the shores of Honeoye creek, killing muskrats, an occasional wild duck, or any other game that might give me the opportunity. The first money I remember having made was secured from the sale of muskrat skins, which I had stripped from the bodies of the animals I had shot. I often appeared in the Rochester market, when a boy, with a bundle of from 50 to 100 muskrat skins which I sold at from 18 to 25 cents each. Sometimes my revenue was increased by a mink or coon skin, but rarely ever with a fox. The mighty force of the raging current of the swollen stream at flood times impressed me strangely. The roar of the water, the crashing of the ice, or the breaking of the huge trees, had a peculiar fascination for me as I wandered along the banks of the stream. I cannot fully express my feelings at such times, nor the delight I took in hunting. I as-

sume that during such season I was living over again the lives of my ancestors who spent most of their time among similar scenes. At that early age I had no mercy on animal life. The fact that I was causing pain to fish I caught, or to the wild game I killed, did not forcibly impress me. During later years, however, I have less desire to destroy any form of animal life. Indeed, it gives me pain to cut off the head of a chicken, or to see any life destroyed. I have come to realize that life in any creature is a marvelous thing, something to stand in awe of, something that no one can explain, and something that no person can give back after once they have taken life.

Now-a-days I carry my gun through the fields and woods, but when I see a beautiful squirrel skipping and jumping about, enjoying life as keenly as I do, I say to myself, Why should I destroy this life? Why should I render this beautiful, graceful creature a lifeless mass, scarcely superior to the clod of earth beneath my feet? It seems to me almost wantonness to commit such an act when I am not suffering for food. Thus you see the enthusiasm of my youth is giving way to wider consideration, tinged with philosophy and modified by Christianity.

Correspondents often ask what soil is best for strawberries. If I should take these good people to a field so covered with stones as to resemble a stone pile more than anything else, they would think I was perpetrating a practical joke. But Professor Bailey says that near Oswego, such stony land as this gives excellent results, but of course a large portion of stones have to be removed before the strawberries are planted. I once heard of a gardener who very carefully picked off all the smaller stones in his garden, but since the garden did not yield so largely thereafter, he replaced

the stones that he had carried off at considerable expense.

N. B. White, of the American Cultivator finds difficulty in grafting tops of old apple trees and, recommends as a better method, sawing off the trunk of the tree close to the ground late in the fall or winter. Next spring the stump will throw up many sprouts, all of which are allowed to grow. One of these sprouts he buds or grafts to the desired variety. He claims he gets a bearing tree sooner this way than by top grafting and at much less expense.

Some time ago the Iowa State Horticultural society sent out circulars of inquiry as to the apples that can be surely grown in all parts of Iowa. About fifteen answers were received. From these the secretary of the society compiled a list of apples that can be counted on to grow in this state. This list is as follows: Oldenberg, Yellow Transparent, Longfield, Telfordsky, Red Astrachan, Plumb Cider, Walbridge, Wealthy, Wolf River and one crab—Whitney No. 20. Of these six are summer apples, three fall apples and only one—the Walbridge—a long-keeping winter apple. That illustrates the trouble that apple growers have to get long-keeping apples which are the ones.

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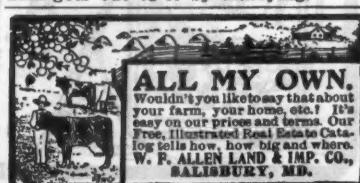
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If you desire further information on road making, address Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and ask for bulletin No. 95 and they will mail it to you free of charge.

The first cut above shows a roadway in France with supplies of cut stone at the sides of the roadway for repairing the same at intervals as may be needed. I have seen the roads in France and must say that the amount of material placed along the side of the road, as shown in cut, is far in excess of necessity. The row of trees in this cut is intended to indicate about where they should be located to be entirely out of the way. The second cut illustrates a hauling of 9 tons of stone from one wagon up-hill over one of these improved road beds. The third illustration shows how the road bed is excavated in order to make room for the layer bed of large stone and for the upper layer of crushed stone.

The last and lower illustration shows a section of the Telford road with macadam surface. Notice that the foundation is made of large stone. In the road I saw built in front of my Rochester home, this foundation was composed of quarry stone placed edge wise as closely together as possible at the base of the road bed after excavation. Often these thin flat stones were placed in position some would stand higher than others, therefore men were set to work breaking off the tops of the stones so as to make the tops about level. Then a layer of crushed stone was placed over this and rolled, then another layer of crushed stone was put on, and rolling was continued until the stone was compacted and pressed into position as firmly as it was possible for the heavy rollers to do the work.

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Apple Blossoms.

Written for Green's Fruit Grower by Verna V. Piele
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What on earth is half so fair?

Apple blossoms pure and sweet,
Flakes of snow just tipped with rose,
Drifting sweetness at our feet,
With each breeze that blows.

Braving Winter's dying breath
In response to Springtime's call,
Trusting in One who rules,
And who watches over all.

Planting the Strawberry.

By Matthew Crawford.

The strawberry plant, like any other perennial, has a certain amount of vitality stored up at the end of the growing season; and, if necessary, it can draw, upon its supply when growth starts in the spring. In this respect it is like a bulb or a tuber, and will bear a great amount of neglect or abuse, and still grow. As the season advances this stock of vitality is diminished, and more care is required in transplanting. I have taken up plants late in the fall and wrapped them in damp moss and left them lying on the ground where they were frozen and thawed several times during the winter. In the spring they were planted, and they fruited in June. I have even taken up plants while dormant and cut back their roots to half an inch, and they grew and fruited. If plants receive no injury while out of the ground and are transplanted with reasonable care, they are just as likely to grow as are potatoes or onions. A plant may fail from being dried while out of the ground, from being kept too long in wet moss in a temperature high enough to cause growth from being planted too deep, or from not having the soil pressed firmly against the roots.

While a strawberry plant holds on to its roots and leaves through the winter, they are not so essential in planting, in early spring, as many suppose. If all the leaves and nearly all the roots be removed it appears to make no difference. If the plant is to be dried while out of the ground, the fewer leaves there are to pump the moisture out of the crown the better. In planting in early spring it is an advantage to shorten the roots. They spread out better, and new roots are more likely to come out of the crown above the old ones. Here is our method which is the best we know of: The plants are taken up with spading forks, put into wet sacks and carried to the cellar, where all dead leaves and runners are removed. The roots are shortened to three inches and the plants are put into shallow boxes and covered with wet sacks. They are then carried to the field and perhaps two hundred taken out at a time and put right end up, in a pall containing a few inches of water. Two men, or a man and boy, work together, one carrying the pall and the other a bright, sharp spade. The ground being marked out, the spade is set squarely across the mark and thrust down at an angle of forty-five degrees

and then pushed forward until there is sufficient room at the back of it for the boy to place the plant in position, where it is held until the spade is withdrawn and the earth falls back on the roots. Each plant is taken out of the water as it is planted, and the soil adheres to the wet roots. As the man with the spade steps forward to make another hole, he sets his foot over the roots of the last plant, pressing the earth firmly against them. A man and boy can plant five thousand in a day.

Strawberries for Farmers.

No fruit grown is such a universal favorite as the strawberry. Everybody is fond of them, and I have often wondered why so few farmers attempt to grow them at all, says Ohio Farmer. They seem to think there is some mysterious art about it that prevents any but the initiated from succeeding, while the fact is that they can be grown as successfully as any of the small fruits and garden vegetables and quite as easily if the necessary work is done at the proper time. In my neighborhood not one farmer in ten attempts to grow them at all and of those who try not one-half succeed. Many farmers excuse themselves by saying they have no place to plant them. Then I would make a place. Land is not so valuable that one can't afford to devote an eighth or sixteenth of an acre to the growth of this luscious fruit.

A mistake that many make who try to grow strawberries is in planting too small a patch. It is little more work to tend a patch one rod by ten than one by five. Above all don't plant a little square patch in one corner of the garden where all the work of tending has to be done with the hoe, for nine times out of ten the work will not be well done and the result will be a failure.

A few years ago one of my neighbors bought two hundred plants of some fancy variety, of an agent, and set them in one corner of his garden in a bed like an onion bed about 12x12 feet; he only let them stand one year and got no berries of any account at all. He said, "It don't pay to raise strawberries any how."

A nice shaped patch and large enough for a family of eight or ten is one rod by ten. Fit the ground as early in spring as it will do to work, and fit it thoroughly, then lay it off in perfectly straight rows four feet apart; that will make four rows.

The people who lived long ago watched the sun, moon and stars rising and setting daily and were quite sure that this earth was the center around which they revolved, or at least, that it was the one stable thing in the universe. The evidence on which this belief was based seemed so strong and clear that people would not listen to any contradiction of it, and the men who first discovered that it was all a mistake risked their lives by venturing to tell others what they had found out.

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Virgil G. Eaton of Maine writes Green's Fruit Grower stating that much of the failure to succeed in beautifying country homes, by successfully planting trees and shrubs, is due to the greed of tree peddlers, who have no practical knowledge on the subject, and who made no effort to do anything beyond selling all the nursery stock possible, regardless of its fitness for its new home. Another source of trouble has been lack of knowledge on the part of the purchaser as to the kind of trees that would succeed best on their land. I notice with pleasure the new houses springing up where workmen are making new homes. When these men come to plant their yard and garden they do not know what to plant, must rely upon the agent, and his advice is not always good. The varieties planted may not be hardy enough, or may not be valuable anywhere. I urge rich men to endow a school that will send forth teachers in landscape gardening. This is certainly a praise-worthy object. The horticultural papers are doing much on the subject of planting and growing trees and ornamental shrubs, etc.

Moses Planter, of Boston, tells our readers how to plant sweet peas as follows: I planted my sweet peas as I supposed where they were to remain but changed my plan. I finally transplanted them about the middle of May. I placed a fork well under the plants, throwing them out without disturbing or breaking the roots, when the plants were about one inch high and the roots about eight inches in length. I shook the roots clear of dirt. With a round stick one inch in diameter I made holes in a new bed, deeper than the length of the root, into which hole I placed the root, holding it in place until I had filled the hole, then I pressed the soil firmly around. I then punched holes between the plants and gave the bed a good watering. The extra holes carried the water down to the roots, then I kept the soil on the surface loose and well cultivated and my plants were continually green.

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In reply to G. D. Rolls: Pewaukee is a winter apple but not a very late keeper. North Star apple and Brother Jonathan strawberry I know nothing of. I have never washed the trunks of trees with common lye, and advise you if you use this wash to dilute the lye with at least half water. Yes, crude petroleum is used now as a wash or spray for the trunk and branches of trees as a remedy for San Jose scale. It should be applied early in the spring, before buds begin to open, as it will injure the foliage if applied later. Simply aim to cover lightly every portion of the tree, but do not apply it in excess.

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very sharp with a file, which I carry with me in the field. I often secure 800 bushels per acre of parsnips. I give this information as a slight tribute for the many helpful suggestions I have received from Green Fruit Grower in past years.

Hiram Poole of Massachusetts writes us that he is surprised that with all the learning and hard work of our experiment station workers no remedy has been discovered for black knot on plum and cherry tree. He has cut off the diseased branches and burned them and still his trees are infested. "I have nearly made new trees out of some of my Lombard plums by cutting off old branches. New shoots have been thrown out and are making vigorous growth." Green's Fruit Grower has many times mentioned the fact, that tops could be cut off old trees and new ones formed, particularly with the peach, pear and apple. Cherry and plums are not so apt to be long lived after thus being headed back. "I am taxed for 29 rods of land on which I have 6 plums, 5 pears, 2 quinces and 1 peach. I prize most of all my strawberry patch, enclosed in an open cellar 25 by 50 feet. It was the talk of all who passed my way last year, and when in blossom was a sight worth seeing. The varieties were Corsican with three other kinds. I have the Loudon raspberry. I picked 50 boxes of strawberries, which I am very fond of for my table. I am over 70 years old, but have never enjoyed myself more than when working in and among my fruits. They do much to brighten my declining years.

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Editor Green's Fruit Grower: The current number of your valuable paper to hand. I found it very entertaining and instructive. Its contents are elevating in character and tone. It would be well for the country if all papers maintained as high a standard of morality as that of Green's Fruit Grower. It should be welcomed to every garden, orchard, and farm home. I am a reader of many papers such as The Pacific Rural Press, The Fruit World, Orange Judd Farmer, Practical Farmer and other garden and farm papers, but you can count on me as a constant reader of yours and I trust many of my old friends will join me. I am yours very truly, John Hooper, Eldridge, Cal. Landscape Gardener.

Frank F. George, of Idaho, writes Green's Fruit Grower as follows: I am living alone on the homestead, doing my own cooking, butter making, mending, and will continue to do this until some homeless but good housekeeping lady points out to me the error of my ways. I have found a new way of keeping pumpkin and squash for mak-

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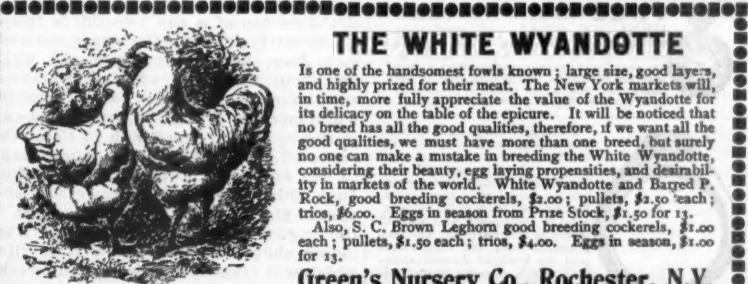
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situation of the fruit farm as regards surrounding villages or cities. Remember that any kind of fruit does better on rolling land, on hill sides or even hill tops than in the valley. I do not think that Rathbun would be hardy enough as your winters are so cold, unless you cover the canes during the winter. Ten to 25 degrees below zero is very cold weather; peach trees would not stand this weather, and you should plant hardy apples and other fruits. Rathbun is much larger than Taylor, but Taylor is a good variety. We plant strawberries in rows 3-1-2 feet apart, plants 18 inches apart in the row and cultivate only one way. No, I would mix the Kleffer with the other pear trees in planting and I would not plant very many Kleffer, though I would plant some, also plant Bartlett, Clapp's Favorite, Bosc. Bosc is one of the finest pears ever grown and will pay you better than Kleffer, but Kleffer is a sure bearer. Yes, you can grow strawberries among your fruit trees if you are short of ground. I did this when I first began fruit growing. Have the different varieties of strawberries near each other in the same plot, since the blossoms will fertilize the blossoms of other kinds not self fertilizing. Yes, raspberries, blackberries can be grown among young peach trees, but I should prefer not to plant them there, since the peach trees come into bearing very soon and need the entire ground. Strawberries might be planted between the peaches, since they do not stand on the same ground so long. We had one row of red or black raspberries between our peach trees but when the peaches came into fruit these bushes were in the way and had to be dug out. Peaches must have thorough cultivation. Late varieties of peaches pay the best, but I would have some early and medium varieties. Columbian raspberry is a purple variety while the Kansas is black. I would plant a few red raspberries as well as black. Loudon is the hardest red raspberry. Plow the soil for strawberries as deep as possible without disturbing the sub soil.

Editor Green's Fruit Grower: Below I give the ordinary formula for the lime, salt, and sulphur wash as used in California. Unslaked lime 40 pounds, sulphur 20 pounds, salt 15 pounds; one fourth of the lime is first slaked and boiled with the sulphur in 20 gallons of water for two or three hours; the remainder of the lime is slaked and together with the salt is added to the hot mixture and the whole boiled for a half hour or an hour longer. Water is then added to make 60 gallons of wash.—H. C. Peck.

Editor Green's Fruit Grower: I have a steep river bank that is continually washing, or sliding in the river. Is there any kind of grass, or trees, that I can sow, or plant on it to keep it from washing?—N. F. Martz, Ohio.

Reply: I would drive in stakes made of the basket willow along the banks near the water's edge and farther up the bank. Cutting of the willows will grow if made in the size of a lead pencil, and about one foot long, or larger branches, even two inches through, and three or four feet long will grow some times if the ground is moist. After these willows get a start, they will hold a bank and keep it from washing away or cavelling in. Sods of quack grass placed along the side of the bank will keep the bank from washing away, after the roots gets a foothold in the soil.

My method of starting tobacco plants is as follows: I sow the seed between cloths on top of a pan two-thirds full of moist earth, covering the upper cloth one inch deep, keeping it moist and warm for about five days when germination will be evident by the seed showing white specks. Then I sow broad-cast in the bed about April 10th to 15th. One ounce of seed will furnish enough plants to set one acre. I transplant from June 20th, to July 2d, in rows 36 inches apart, plants 14 to 15 inches apart in the row. I top or pick bud out when plants show bud, then allow it to ripen which will take from three to four weeks; meanwhile keeping the suckers off which will appear at the base of the leaves. When it is ripe the tobacco leaves will show a peculiar spotted color. These instructions are intended for Wilson Hybrid tobacco, the variety grown so largely in this section. But this distance will be found plenty close enough for cultivation and other necessary workings.—A subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower, Hanibal, N. Y.

J. B. Y. Warner, a subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower, writes us that his father never failed to secure fine crops

of apricots by training the branches of the young trees over the wall of a building, or other wall, in the same manner that we train grape vines. This is the common manner of training fruit trees in Europe, but little practiced in this country. Doubtless the warmth of the building protects the buds of the apricot from early spring frosts.

Editor of Green's Fruit Grower has asked for items of human interest. I consider the most important one our attitude toward mankind respecting the hereafter. True we should be interested in the every day life of those around us, for by giving advice and timely suggestions we may sustain one another in the many phases of this life, but is there not a greater responsibility resting upon us as regards our responsibility towards our fellow men? How many there are going on the downward road with no one interested in their spiritual welfare. We cannot leave this work altogether for the preacher or the Sunday school teacher, while we hurry on in the mad rush for worldly gain, without pausing to consider whether our neighbor is in need of friendly admonition. How little we think of the influence we are exerting over the lives of others, either for good or evil. "Let your light shine." "Bear ye one another's burdens."—Nina J. Geary.

Mr. E. P. Fisher, of Kansas, writes Green's Fruit Grower in reply to an editorial asking for items of human interest that he holds that we should take sufficient cognizance of evil that prevails in order to put ourselves in opposition, not only for our own welfare but that of others. This is not pessimism, it is the part of prudence. The prudent man foresees evil and hideth himself, but the simple pass on and perish, says the wise man. There are three reasons for apathy on questions of reform: First self interest. Policy with many is far more potent than principle. Second, ignorance of the extent of evil. Third, a feeling that the evil is too strong to be combated. The world's progress has been made by men who have refused to drift with the tide and who by constant agitation of great moral questions have caused the over-thrown of systems of evil. Take the saloon question. It is not a question of controlling. It is a question of life and death with the traffic. Saloon keepers say, "I will not be controlled, you must kill me or let me do as I please."

In the absence of Prof. Van Deman on his lecturing tour I will say that the seeds of certain varieties of melons should produce the same fruit, if that variety is left separate and at some distance away from other varieties, but if grown near other varieties they will be likely to produce a cross between two varieties. This is in reply to Mrs. Erwin who asks whether she can depend upon the seed of certain varieties of melons to produce similar melons the coming year.

Philip Phelps, of Tioga county, N. Y., asks Green's Fruit Grower if anything can be used as a substitute for glass as a covering for hot-beds. Yes, cotton cloth that has been covered with linseed oil,

put on hot with a brush may be used in place of glass. Later in the season when the sun gets hot this cloth is even better than glass, as glass makes the bed too hot. But early in the season in February and March glass would be preferable. I assume that some horse manure under the hot-bed would give heat enough to cause the seeds to grow.

Please tell me how to make the best currant wine. Should the currants be heated before pressing out the juice? Should sugar be added? How much currants will it require to make one-fourth barrel of wine? Should the currants be fully ripe, or overripe? Will some of our readers reply?—E. J. C., Ohio.

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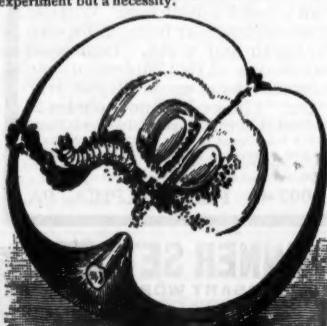
Editor Green's Fruit Grower: I have 50 fine Corsican strawberry plants to set out this spring all being the increase of the six plants received as a premium from Green's Fruit Grower last spring. I have also a fine bed of Clyde, Bedderwood and Warfield strawberries from which I expect a big crop this season. I have prepared the land for the strawberries by plowing under a heavy coat of barnyard manure, having to fork it into the furrow and tramp it down in order to cover it. After rolling and cultivating in the most thorough manner possible I have fertilized a strip 48 by 300 feet by scattering broadcast 600 pounds of unleached wood ashes. I also graded by line so that the center is higher than the outside so that the water may run off after heavier rains. You should have seen the plants grow upon this rich and carefully prepared ground. I cultivated many times with the horse and hoe many times by hand, getting out all weeds. They blossomed the first year planted, and some said I should have picked off the blossoms, but I allowed them to bear fruit and they yielded a good many fine berries. My plants stood one foot high and rows were perfectly matted. I manured between the rows with rotted manure, again also with ashes and as winter approached mulched slightly with straw. Before planting my grape vines I dug a trench and filled it with bones, old shoes, tin cans, etc., and made a mound eight inches high on which I planted my vines. I lay the vines down on the ground and cover them lightly every fall.—A Subscriber.

Remarks by the Editor—There are many people who have an idea that they cannot grow strawberries, grapes, asparagus or other similar items without the expenditure of enormous amount of labor in connection therewith, as very likely did the above subscriber. The fact is that any good garden soil that will produce a good crop of corn or wheat will produce a good fair crop of strawberries, raspberries, grapes or other fruits. Our Michigan friend applied far more fertility than was necessary. Doubtless he had plenty of time and desired to see how large a crop he could produce, which was all right. But let not other readers think they must expend a similar amount of work in order to succeed in growing an abundance of fine strawberries, grapes or other kinds of fruit.

In reply to Mrs. H. Eastman, I will say that spraying peach trees with white wash is more or less experimental. The spray is applied in the latter part of the winter to prevent peach buds from opening and thus becoming enfeebled. The difficulty lies in holding the white wash on the blossoms, since it is liable to be washed off by rain. Salt added to white wash makes the wash hold more firmly. Your plum trees growing so thrifly in the grass by garden fence, planted eight years ago, are not too close to bear good fruit. Possibly they need other varieties planted near them to fertilize the blossoms, but I think they will bear as the years go by. At this time, twist a copper or steel wire firmly around one strong branch of each tree. This will cause that branch to bear if the blossoms are self fertilizing, since the wire will cut into the bark. It is similar to girdling grape vines to make them fruitful. Red raspberries will not thrive well where suckers have grown and thickly covered the entire ground. The suckers should be cut off when they are small and green; as it is now I should make a new plantation and leave the old one until a new one came into bearing. If I were a woman and desired to set strawberry plants, pick fruit, climb trees, etc., as you do, I should wear bloomers, that is a modified garment more like men's trousers. In fact I would wear any-

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thing that was comfortable and convenient without much regard to appearance or conventionality. A short divided skirt and leggings, as you suggest, with blouse or sailor waist, would be all right. But I think a very short skirt, coming about to the knees, with leggings, would be all right. I greatly admire your taste for outdoor life. I wish thousands of our American women would follow your lead in this regard.

LETTER FROM CHOCTOW INDIAN.

Editor Green's Fruit Grower:

I have a white wife, and we have five children, one of whom is married, four are with us. I have a thousand acre farm, all excellent land, and am just beginning the business of fruit growing. We read your excellent paper with great interest and profit, and think we are making some advances in the knowledge of fruit growing. I have 20 acres planted to fruits and this is the third year since planting. My apples and peaches are growing rapidly, and my five acres of blackberries and dewberries made a great yield last year. Dallas blackberry seems to be my best variety for this locality; Austin dewberry surpasses the others here. I have a loamy sandy soil. I expect to plant eighty acres in fruit during the next two years. My location is one mile east of Durant, I. T., a city of 5,000 inhabitants. I hope to employ about 100 poor children during the berry picking season. We have several mining cities near us that afford good markets for our fruits. Our soil is equal to any I ever saw in fertility. It is well adapted for apple growing; Texas gives us good markets for fruits. We out-do all other in growing sweet potatoes and melons. Eleven large melons on one vine are not unusual; the smallest one weighing 40 pounds and the largest 80. They are the Reed melon, which originated in Texas. There are four times as many whites in our territory as Indians, but none can own land but the Indians. We expect to be able to deed our land soon.—A. Frank Ross.

Note—The above letter from our Indian friend is welcome. The letter is well written and well worded. I get hundreds of letters daily, but this letter is more plainly written and more clearly worded than the majority of letters I receive. I congratulate the writer on his favorable surroundings and circumstances.—Editor Green's Fruit Grower.

Robert Manning, for many years an interested worker in horticultural interests, and long secretary of Massachusetts Horticultural society, died February 17th, at the age of 75 years, at his home in Salem, Mass. The editor of Green's Fruit Grower has known Mr. Manning for many years, and has known him to be actively engaged in promoting the cause of pomology. He was intimately associated with the late Marshall P. Wilder. He was exceedingly modest and retiring and by many was considered cold and formal, but those who knew him best will appreciate his many noble qualities of mind and heart.

D. D. Miller, of Ohio, tells of his experience in setting fence posts twenty-five years ago. From the same tree cut at the same time, sixty posts were cut for trial. Some were boiled in cold tar, some were laid over a fire until they were covered with charcoal slightly, and twenty of them were put in the ground without doctoring. Now, after a little over twenty-four years, the burned posts are all perfectly sound; the posts I boiled in the tar gave out fourteen years ago, and those I put in without doctoring, gave out eleven years ago. All posts should be seasoned and then burned or charred in the fire before being placed in position, if you want them to last for twenty-five years or more. It will repay any one to go to this extra trouble. I used white oak timber.

In reply to Sister M. Evangelist, I will say: The twigs you have sent us seem to be attacked with scurfy bark louse. When the young hatch out in early spring, wash the affected parts with soda and water, using one-half pound of soda to twelve quarts of water.

In reply to J. B. Lavallee, I will say that liquid manure made from hen manure, should be largely diluted before using. I have never used hen manure in this form, but have preferred to partially rot it, by composting in a barrel half manure and half solid, and then pulverizing it on the barn floor with the back of a hoe, then sowing it broadcast much as I would the commercial fertilizer. I see no objection to using it in the form of liquid manure, but it would require some experience to know just how to handle it in that form.



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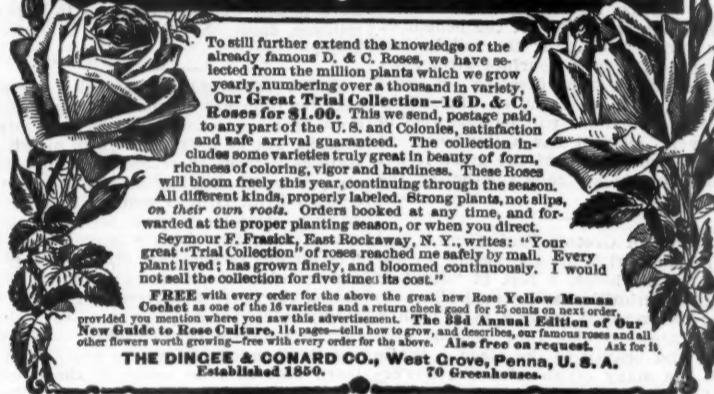
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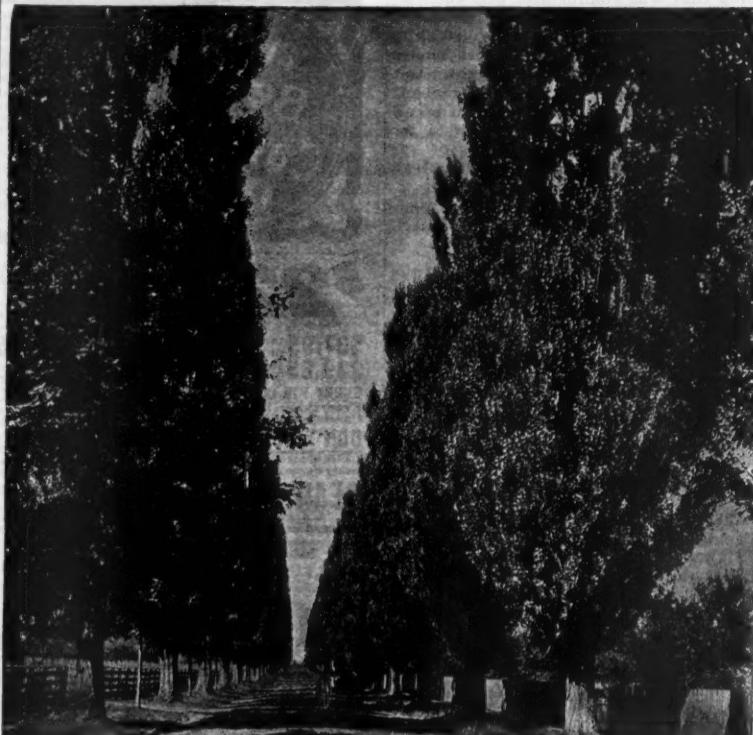
To G. C. Beckwith, Napaug, Conn.: No, it is never good policy to plow or cultivate deeply between rows of blackberries, raspberries or currants, grape vines, fruit trees, or plants of any kind, since by so doing you are sure to cut off and destroy many fine roots unconsciously which weakens the plants or trees and lessens their ability to produce fine fruit. I would prefer not to cultivate at all than to plow or cultivate too deep. The proper thing to do is to give shallow cultivation from early spring onward, thus keeping the ground loose and pliable all the time. Yes, a field where cabbage grew last year would be a good one for planting raspberries or any kind of fruit. The fact that cabbage rotted and rusted would not affect the fruit.—Editor.

William R. Pratt asks Green's Fruit Grower how to prepare a piece of ground for a lawn and what kind of grass seed to sow. The ground should be spaded or plowed as early in the spring as possible, or as soon as the ground is dry enough. Then grade the ground carefully with a hoe, shovel and steel rake and make the surface as fine as you would your garden, with harrow, cultivator and steel rake, then sow quite thickly with mixed grass seed. Kentucky blue grass, red top, and white clover are the principal ingredients of lawn grass. Seedsmen use a mixture of lawn grass which is desirable. Do not put any red clover in the mixture. Sow the grass seed very early in the morning when there is no wind, since the Kentucky blue grass will blow about very easily; it is impossible to sow it when the wind blows at all. Sow three or four times as much grass seed as you would for an ordinary meadow or farm land, and after sowing the seed rake the surface gently with a steel tooth rake, but do not attempt to bury the grass seed deeply. Grass seed should be sown early in the spring to get the benefit of early spring rains. If the soil is not rich, spread over the surface after sowing the seed a light dressing of well rotted or very fine manure. This light dressing of manure will be desirable in any event, since it has a tendency to promote the growth of the grass if not applied too thickly thus smothering the young plants.

A reader of Green's Fruit Grower living in Missouri is about to erect an addition to his home, a sort of "den," or room of curiosities and would like to cover the veranda leading to it with a strong growing vine that would give shade and beauty to the place. While there are many ornamental and flowering vines which could be appropriately planted in such a place, it is my opinion that the attractiveness of the grape vine for covering verandas, porches, etc., has been overlooked. I know of no vine that will so completely shade a porch or side of a building as will a grape vine on account of its broad leaves. I greatly admire the beauty of a grape vine when growing along the side of a building of any kind. I plant them about my house, barn, henry, the fences and in fact about all the buildings. Not only are these vines remarkably attractive in such localities but the grapes on vines thus located ripen earlier when in such localities than they do in a vineyard, owing to the fact that the surface of buildings attracts the rays of the sun. This reader desires an immediate effect which can be secured through such rapid growing vines as Concord, Worden and Niagara, the most rapid growers of all. For immediate effect plant these vines closely together, with the idea of taking out some of the vines in the coming years if they crowd each other. I am glad to receive such inquiries or suggestions as this, as they are helpful to our readers.

H. B. Williams writes Green's Fruit Grower that he has had many years' experience in setting fence posts and stakes and that he is positive that they will last longer if the small end is placed in the ground. The pores of all kinds of wood are so arranged as to facilitate the absorption of moisture from the soil, if placed with large end down, as trees naturally grow, and rapid decay is the consequence.

I must differ with that correspondent who says there is no way to spray successfully against the curculio. I have succeeded in destroying the curculio on my plum trees by spraying. My formula for spray is as follows: 4 pounds of blue vitriol; 4 ounces of lime, well slaked; 5 ounces of Paris green. Add to these 50 gallons of water. I spray first when the plums are the size of a grain of wheat, then every ten days thereafter, until I have sprayed five



An Avenue of Poplars in Hamilton, Canada.

times. This is all I do except to keep my orchard well cultivated. During the past seven years I have never failed to raise good crop of plums, and I credit all to this spraying with the solution given. Curculio is plentiful here. I have picked numbers of them in a few minutes from the trees.—E. O. Orton, Mich.

M. W. Hayward, of Natick, Mass., asks for information about buying a Le Conte pear orchard in Liberty county, Florida, but he does not inform us what state he is from, therefore we cannot reply personally. Many people who write Green's Fruit Grower omit to give their address entirely or omit to give the state, then they wonder why their letters do not receive our attention. We answer all letters received promptly, providing the correct address is given. It is impossible for us to estimate the value of the Le Conte pear orchard. We do not think much of Le Conte pear, but we learn that they do better in the South. It, however, is not better in quality than Kieffer. I should hesitate about buying a pear orchard in the South at anything but a very low price and then I should want to investigate the matter carefully before investing.

ROME BEAUTY APPLE.

Editor Green's Fruit Grower:

I see in the March number of the Green's Fruit Grower that the Rome Beauty apple originated in Western New York thirty years ago, as you reported it from the Western New York Horticultural Society, and I deny it, for Ohio claims the origin of it. It was brought from the Putnum nursery at Marietta, O., in 1817, to Lawrence county, Ohio, and was set out by Alanson Gillett just above Proctorville in Rome township and it was propagated when it was found to be a fine apple. The original tree was a seedling sprout growing below the graft and it was cut off with some root and cast to the lad above mentioned, by his father and told it was a democrat and he could have it. He took care of it and he lived to see it grown largely.

He died only a few years ago in Tennessee.

H. N. Gillett was the first to graft it largely and it is a good tree to grow in the nursery.—U. T. Cox, Ohio.

A subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower living in Lawrence county, Pa., is a widower and wants a wife who is 30 to 36 years old, who is honest and suited for farm life, and who is willing to be helpful generally. This man says he is about 50 years old, weighs 145 pounds, is 5 1/2 feet high. He has dark brown hair and blue eyes. This subscriber has heard of the marriage of the widower lately spoken of in this paper and thinks Green's Fruit Grower may be able to help him in securing a wife. This is a delicate undertaking, but we do not doubt that this man is sincere in desiring a life companion, I see no serious objections to our receiving in response to his application, the address of any honest woman, and we will forward names to him with addresses if so requested. This is as far as we can go in the matter. We cannot vouch for the character or standing of either party, not knowing them personally, and must leave such matters as that to those most interested.

A subscriber to Green's Fruit Grower asks to be informed how to can asparagus. Will some of the readers of Green's Fruit Grower please reply. I have eaten canned asparagus that seemed to be as good as that freshly picked from the garden, but I do not know the process of canning. I assume, however, that asparagus can be canned by about the same process as that by which strawberries and other fruits are canned. Let no one who is lacking an asparagus bed fail to plant 100 or 200 roots this spring, and be careful not to cover the crowns of the plants too deeply at first.

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